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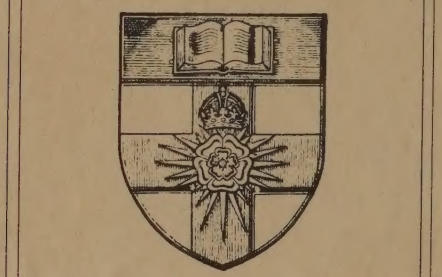

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An Act to consolidate the Copyhold Acts. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

PART I.

Compulsory Enfranchisement.

Right to enfranchise.

Power to enfranchise copyholds.

1. Where there is an admitted tenant of copyhold land the lord or the tenant may, subject to the provisions of this Act, require and compel enfranchisement of the land.

Provided that this section shall not apply where the tenant is admitted in respect of a mortgage and the mortgagee is not in possession.

Power to extinguish manorial incidents.

2. A lord or tenant of any land liable to any heriot, quitrent, free rent, or other manorial incident whatsoever, may require and compel the extinguishment of such rights or incidents affecting the land, and the release and enfranchisement of the land subject thereto, in like manner as nearly as possible as is provided by this Act with respect to the right to compel the enfranchisement of copyhold land and to the proceedings thereupon, and the provisions of this Act shall apply accordingly.

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Fines, &c. to be paid before enfranchisement.

3. A tenant shall not be entitled to require an enfranchisement of any land under this Act until after payment or tender—

(*a.*) in case the land is copyhold and an admittance thereto has not been made since the thirtieth day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, of such fine and of the value of such heriot (if any) as would become payable in the event of admittance on alienation subsequent to that day, and of two thirds of such sum as the steward would have been entitled to in respect of the admittance; and

(*b.*) in case the land is freehold (including customary freehold) and subject to heriots and no heriot has become due or payable since the thirtieth day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, of the value of such heriot as would become payable in the event of an admittance or enrolment on alienation, subsequent to that day, and of two-thirds of such sum as the steward would have been entitled to for fees in respect of the alienation or admittance or enrolment; and

(*c.*) in every other case, of all fines and fees consequent on the last admittance to the land.

Notice of desire to enfranchise.

4. A lord or tenant who requires enfranchisement under this Act must give notice in writing, the lord to the tenant or the tenant to the lord, as the case may be, of his desire to have the land enfranchised.

Compensation for Enfranchisement.

Proceedings for ascertaining compensation.

5.—(1.) When a notice requiring an enfranchisement has been given under this Act, the compensation for the enfranchisement shall be ascertained in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(2.) The lord and the tenant may—

(*a.*) determine the amount of the compensation by agreement in writing; or

(*b.*) agree in writing that the Board of Agriculture shall determine the amount; or

(*c.*) appoint a valuer or valuers to determine the amount.

Provided that—

(i.) if the compensation is not otherwise determined, it shall be ascertained under the direction of the Board, on a valuation

made by a valuer or valuers appointed by the lord and tenant; but A.D. 1894.

(ii.) if the manorial rights to be compensated consist only of heriots, rents, and licences at fixed rates to demise or to fell timber, or of any of these, or the land to be enfranchised is not rated for the relief of the poor at a greater amount than the net annual value of thirty pounds, the valuation shall be made by a valuer to be appointed by the justices at petty sessions holden for the division or place in which the manor or the greater part of it is situate, unless either party to the enfranchisement gives notice that he desires the valuation to be made by a valuer or valuers appointed by the lord and tenant, in which case he shall pay the additional expenses caused by that mode of valuation.

(3.) When a valuer is appointed by justices, a justice who is a lord of the manor shall not take any part in the appointment.

(4.) When the valuation is to be by a valuer or valuers appointed by the lord and tenant—

(*a.*) The lord and the tenant may each appoint one valuer:

(*b.*) They may appoint one and the same person:

(*c.*) If either the lord or the tenant does not appoint a valuer within twenty-eight days after notice has been given to him by the other party to do so, or within such further time, if any, as the Board of Agriculture by order allow, the Board shall appoint a valuer for him:

(*d.*) The appointment of a valuer by either party cannot be revoked, except with the consent of the other party:

(*e.*) Where there are two valuers they shall, before proceeding with the valuation, appoint an umpire:

(*f.*) If they do not within fourteen days after their appointment appoint an umpire, the Board of Agriculture shall appoint an umpire for them.

(5.) The Board of Agriculture may, on the application of either the lord or the tenant, remove a valuer or umpire for misconduct or for refusal or omission to act.

(6.) If a valuer or umpire dies, or becomes incapable, or refuses to act, or is removed, another valuer or umpire, as the case may be,

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shall, within a time to be fixed by the Board of Agriculture, be appointed in his place by the person and in the manner provided by this section with regard to the valuer or umpire in whose place he is appointed, and in default by the Board. A valuer or umpire appointed under this provision may adopt and act upon any valuation or proceeding agreed on or completed by the valuer or valuers or umpire previously acting.

(7.) Before a valuer or umpire enters on his valuation he shall, in the presence of a justice of the peace, make and subscribe a declaration in the form mentioned in that behalf in the First Schedule to this Act.

(8.) The declaration made by a valuer or umpire must be annexed to the valuation.

(9.) If a valuer or umpire having made a declaration under this section wilfully acts contrary thereto he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Circumstances to be considered by valuers.

6.—(1.) In making a valuation for the purpose of ascertaining the compensation for a compulsory enfranchisement under this Act, the valuers shall take into account and make due allowance for the facilities for improvements, customs of the manor, fines, heriots, reliefs, quit rents, chief rents, forfeitures, and all other incidents whatsoever of copyhold or customary tenure, and all other circumstances affecting or relating to the land included in the enfranchisement, and all advantages to arise therefrom.

Provided that they shall not take into account or allow for the value of escheats.

(2.) The value of the matters to be taken into account in the valuation shall be calculated as at the date of the notice to enfranchise.

Duties of valuers.

7.—(1.) Valuers appointed for the purpose of ascertaining the compensation for a compulsory enfranchisement shall determine the value of the matters to be taken into account in the valuation at a gross sum of money.

(2.) If the valuers do not agree as to the compensation or any point arising in the valuation, the valuers or either of them may refer the whole matter or the point in dispute to the umpire.

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(3.) The valuers shall give their decision within forty-two days after their appointment or within such further time, if any, as the Board of Agriculture by order allow.

(4.) If the valuers do not give their decision within the time allowed by or in pursuance of this Act, and do not refer the matter to the umpire, the Board of Agriculture may direct the umpire to act as valuer.

(5.) The umpire shall give his decision on any matter referred to him within forty-two days after the matter is referred to him.

(6.) The valuers or umpire shall make their decision in such form as the Board of Agriculture direct, and shall deliver the same with the details thereof to the Board, and shall also deliver copies of their decisions to the lord or to the tenant.

(7.) If, in the opinion of the Board, the valuation is imperfect or erroneous, they may remit it to the valuers or umpire, as the case may be, for reconsideration or correction.

(8.) If either—

(*a*) the valuers do not give their decision within the time allowed to them by or in pursuance of this Act, and the valuation is not referred to the umpire, either by the valuers or either of them or by the direction of the Board; or

(*b*) the umpire does not give his decision within the time allowed to him by or in pursuance of this Act; or

(*c*) the valuers or the umpire do not, when a decision is remitted to them by the Board for re-consideration or correction, amend it to the satisfaction of the Board,

the compensation shall be determined by the Board after due notice to the lord and tenant.

(9.) Where the compensation is determined by the Board they shall take such proceedings and make such inquiries as they think necessary for the purpose, and shall take into consideration all matters which valuers are bound to take into consideration on a valuation under this Act, and shall communicate the result in writing to the lord and to the tenant, and shall fix a time within which any objection to their determination may be signified to them in writing by the lord or tenant, and shall consider every objection properly made and if necessary alter their determination accordingly.

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Compensation to be a rentcharge in certain cases.

8.—(1.) In either of the following cases, namely,—

(*a*) where the enfranchisement is at the instance of the lord; or

(*b*) where the land can, in the opinion of the Board of Agriculture, be sufficiently identified, and the compensation amounts to more than one year's improved value of the land,

unless the parties otherwise agree, or the tenant within ten days after the receipt by him of the draft of the proposed award of enfranchisement gives to the Board notice in writing that he desires to pay the compensation in a gross sum, the compensation shall be an annual rentcharge, commencing from the date of the notice to enfranchise and issuing out of the land enfranchised, equivalent to interest at the rate of four per cent per annum on the amount of the compensation.

(2.) Except where it is provided by this section that the compensation shall be charged by way of rentcharge, the compensation shall be paid in a gross sum before the completion of the enfranchisement.

Steward's compensation.

9. On a compulsory enfranchisement the tenant shall pay to the steward the compensation mentioned in the Second Schedule to this Act.

Award of Enfranchisement.

Board to make award of enfranchisement.

10.—(1.) When the compensation for a compulsory enfranchisement has been ascertained under the provisions of this Act, the Board of Agriculture, having made such inquiries as they think proper, and having considered any applications made to them by the parties, may make in such form as they provide an award of enfranchisement on the basis of the compensation, and may confirm the award.

(2.) The award shall state whether the compensation is a gross sum or a rentcharge, and the amount thereof, and where it is a rentcharge shall make the land subject thereto and chargeable therewith.

(3.) The Board shall fourteen days before confirming the award send to the tenant and to the steward, unless the proposed award has been already perused by them respectively, a copy of the proposed award.

(4.) Where the compensation is a gross sum the award shall not be confirmed until the receipt of the person entitled to receive the compensation has been produced to the Board.

(5.) The Board shall send a copy of the confirmed award sealed or stamped with the seal of the Board to the lord, and the lord shall cause the copy to be entered in the court rolls of the manor.

(6.) The date at which a compulsory enfranchisement shall take effect may be fixed by the confirmation of the award of enfranchisement, and if not so fixed, shall be the date of the confirmation of the award.

Restrictions on Enfranchisement.

Power for lord in certain cases to purchase tenant's interest.

11.—(1.) Where a notice requiring the enfranchisement of any land under this Act is given by the tenant, and the lord shows to the satisfaction of the Board of Agriculture that any change in the condition of the land which but for the enfranchisement would or might be prevented by the incidents or conditions of the tenure of the land, will prejudicially affect the enjoyment or value of the mansion house, park, gardens, or pleasure grounds of the lord, the lord may give to the tenant notice in writing that he offers to purchase the tenant's interest in the land.

(2.) If the tenant accepts the offer he shall do so by sending to the Board, within twenty-eight days after he has received notice of the offer, notice in writing of his acceptance, and thereupon the offer and the acceptance shall be binding on the lord and the tenant.

(3.) If the tenant does not accept the offer the enfranchisement shall not take place unless the Board think fit to impose such terms and conditions as are in their opinion sufficient to protect the interests of the lord.

(4.) Where a purchase is being made under this section, if the consideration for the purchase is not within a time allowed by the Board settled by agreement between the lord and the tenant, the Board may appoint a valuer to ascertain the value of the tenant's interest, or may refer it to the valuers, if any, acting in the enfranchisement.

(5.) When the value of the tenant's interest has been agreed on or ascertained, the Board shall issue, under their seal, a certificate which shall define the land included in the purchase, and shall

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state the consideration for the purchase, and fix a time for the payment of the consideration.

(6.) On the payment of the consideration the tenant shall execute a conveyance of his interest in the land to the lord in such form as the Board direct, and on the execution of the conveyance the land shall vest in the lord accordingly.

(7.) If the consideration is not paid within the time fixed by the certificate or such further time as the Board allow, and the Board are of opinion that the nonpayment arises from the default of the lord, they may cancel the certificate, and thereupon the enfranchisement shall be proceeded with (but subject to the provisions of this section as to expenses) as if this section had not been passed.

(8.) Where a purchase is made under this section all the costs of the valuation and all the expenses attending the purchase, including the expenses of the conveyance, shall be paid by the lord.

(9.) Where a purchase is, by the default of the lord, not completed, all expenses which the Board certify to have been incurred by the tenant in consequence of the offer, acceptance, and default shall be paid by the lord to the tenant.

Power for Board to suspend enfranchisement in certain cases.

12.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may suspend any proceedings for a compulsory enfranchisement under this Act where any peculiar circumstances make it impossible, in their opinion, to decide on the prospective value of the land proposed to be enfranchised, or where any special hardship or injustice would unavoidably result from compulsory enfranchisement.

(2.) Where the Board suspend a proposed enfranchisement under this section they shall state their reasons for doing so in their annual report which is by this Act directed to be laid before Parliament.

Power for Board to continue conditions to user.

13. On a compulsory enfranchisement under this Act, in any case where the tenant was admitted subject to any condition affecting the user of the land and imposed for the benefit of the public or of the other tenants of the manor, and in the opinion of the Board of Agriculture some special hardship or injustice would result if the land were released from the condition, the Board may continue and give effect to the condition by the award of enfranchisement.

PART II.

Voluntary Enfranchisement.

Power to effect voluntary enfranchisement.

14.—(1.) The lord of any manor may with the consent of the Board of Agriculture enfranchise any land held of the manor, and any tenant may with the consent of the Board accept an enfranchisement of his land.

(2.) The enfranchisement may be on such terms as subject to the provisions of this Act are settled by agreement between the lord and the tenant.

(3.) If the estate of the lord or of the tenant parties to the enfranchisement is less than an estate in fee simple in possession or corresponding copyhold or customary estate, and the tenant has not paid the whole of the cost of enfranchisement, the lord or tenant respectively shall give notice in writing of the proposed enfranchisement to the person entitled to the next estate of inheritance in remainder or reversion in the manor or land to be affected by the enfranchisement.

Consideration for voluntary enfranchisement.

15.—(1.) The consideration for a voluntary enfranchisement under this Act may be either—

(*a*) a gross sum payable at once or at any time fixed by the agreement ; or

(*b*) a rentcharge charged on and issuing out of the land enfranchised ; or

(*c*) a conveyance of land or of a right to mines or minerals ; or

(*d*) a conveyance of a right to waste in lands belonging to the manor,

or may be provided partly in one and partly in another or others of those ways.

(2.) Land or a right to mines or minerals subject to the same or corresponding uses and trusts with the land enfranchised may be conveyed as consideration under this section.

(3.) Where the estate of the lord is less than an estate in fee simple in possession, and land not parcel of the manor, or a right to mines or minerals not in or under the land enfranchised, is conveyed as consideration under this section, the land or right must be convenient in the opinion of the Board of Agriculture to be held with the manor, and must be settled to uses or on trusts identical with or corresponding to those to or on which the manor is held.

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Voluntary enfranchisement to be by deed.

16.—(1.) A voluntary enfranchisement under this Act may be effected with the consent of the Board of Agriculture by such a deed as would be proper on an enfranchisement by a lord seised of the manor for an absolute estate in fee simple in possession.

(2.) Where any person is entitled to notice of the proposed enfranchisement, the assent or dissent or acquiescence of that person in respect of the enfranchisement may be stated in writing to the Board of Agriculture when the enfranchisement deed is sent to them for confirmation. If any dissent in writing has been expressed, the Board shall withhold their consent to the deed until they have made further inquiries, and are satisfied that the agreement is not fairly open to objection.

(3.) The Board may in every case cause any such further notices to be given and inquiries to be made as they think proper, before consenting to the enfranchisement deed.

Provisions for rentcharges under Act.

17. Where any part of the consideration for a voluntary enfranchisement under this Act is a rentcharge,—

(1.) The rentcharge may be—

(*a*) a fixed annual sum, or

(*b*) where it exceeds the sum of twenty shillings, an annual sum varying with the price of corn and calculated upon the same averages and variable in like manner as a tithe commutation rentcharge; and

(2.) The rentcharge may be made subject to an increase or diminution to be stated in the enfranchisement agreement, or afterwards fixed by valuers in any event which is provided for by the agreement; and

(3.) The tenant may grant the rentcharge by deed to the lord and his heirs to the uses on the trusts and subject to the powers and provisions subsisting at the date of the enfranchisement with respect to the manor of which the land enfranchised is held; and

(4.) The rentcharge may be charged on all or any part of the land enfranchised.

Provisions where land is conveyed as consideration under this Part.

18. Where any part of the consideration for an enfranchisement under this Act is the conveyance of land or of a right to mines or minerals, or of a right to waste, the tenant may convey the land or right to the lord and his heirs to the uses on the trusts and subject to the powers and provisions subsisting at the date of the enfranchisement in respect of the manor of which the land enfranchised is held.

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Enfranchisement consideration to be a charge on land till paid.

19.—(1.) Where a voluntary enfranchisement is effected under this Act, the land enfranchised shall be charged with every sum payable to the lord in respect of the enfranchisement, with interest thereon from the day fixed by the enfranchisement deed for payment thereof until payment thereof.

(2.) The lord shall be deemed to be seised of the land subject to a charge under this section as mortgagee in fee, and may distrain on the land for any interest due in respect of the charge as if it were rent in arrear.

(3.) A charge under this section shall be a first charge on the land subject thereto, and shall have priority over all incumbrances whatsoever affecting the land (except tithe rentcharge and any charge having priority by statute), notwithstanding that those incumbrances are prior in date.

Commencement of enfranchisement.

20. The date at which a voluntary enfranchisement under this Act shall take effect, and the commencement of a rentcharge in consideration of a voluntary enfranchisement under this Act, may be fixed by the memorandum of confirmation of the enfranchisement deed, and if not so fixed shall be the date of the confirmation of the deed by the Board of Agriculture.

PART III.

EFFECT OF ENFRANCHISEMENT.

On enfranchisement land to become freehold.

21.—(1.) When an enfranchisement is made under this Act the following provisions shall, from and after the time when the enfranchisement takes effect, apply with respect to the land enfranchised:—

(*a.*) The land shall be of freehold tenure;

(*b.*) The lord shall be entitled, in case of an escheat for want of heirs, to the same right as he would have had if the land had not been enfranchised;

(*c.*) The land shall not be subject to the custom of borough English, or of gavelkind, or to any other customary mode of descent, or to any custom relating to dower or freebench or tenancy by the curtesy, or to any other custom whatsoever, but shall be subject to the same laws relating to descents, and dower, and curtesy as are applicable to land held in free and common socage:

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Provided as follows:—

(i.) Nothing in this section shall affect the custom of gavelkind in the county of Kent;

(ii.) Nothing in this section contained with respect to dower, freebench, or curtesy shall apply to any person married before the date at which the enfranchisement takes effect;

(*d.*) The land shall be held under the same title as that under which it was held at the date at which the enfranchisement takes effect, and shall not be subject to any estate, right, charge, or interest affecting the manor;

(*e.*) Every mortgage of the copyhold estate in the land shall become a mortgage of the freehold for a corresponding estate, but subject to any charge having priority thereof by virtue of this Act.

(2.) An enfranchisement shall not, except as in this Act mentioned, affect the rights or interests of any person in the land enfranchised under a will, settlement, mortgage, or otherwise, but those rights and interests shall continue to attach upon the land enfranchised in the same way as nearly as may be as if the freehold had been comprised in the instrument or disposition under which that person claims.

(3.) Where land is, at the date at which the enfranchisement thereof under this Act takes effect, subject to any subsisting lease or demise, the freehold into which the copyhold estate is converted shall be the reversion immediately expectant on the lease or demise, and the rents and services reserved and made payable on, and the conditions in, or in respect of, the lease or demise, shall be incident and annexed to the reversion, and the covenants or agreements, expressed or implied, on the part of the lessor and lessee respectively shall run with the land and with the reversion respectively, and the enfranchisement shall not affect any right of distress, entry, or action accruing in respect of the lease or demise.

Exception for rights of common.

22. An enfranchisement under this Act shall not deprive a tenant of any commonable right to which he is entitled in respect of the land enfranchised, but where any such right exists in respect of any land at the date of the enfranchisement thereof it shall continue attached to the land notwithstanding the land has become freehold.

Exception for mines and other rights.

23.—(1.) An enfranchisement under this Act shall not without the express consent in writing of the lord or tenant respectively affect the estate or right of the lord or tenant in or to any mines, minerals, limestone, lime, clay, stone, gravel, pits, or quarries

whether in or under the land enfranchised or not, or any right of entry, right of way and search, or other easement of the lord or tenant in, on, through, over, or under any land, or any powers which in respect of property in the soil might but for the enfranchisement have been exercised for the purpose of enabling the lord or tenant, their or his agents, workmen, or assigns, more effectually to search for, win, and work any mines, minerals, pits, or quarries, or to remove and carry away any minerals, limestone, lime, stones, clay, gravel, or other substances had or gotten therefrom, or the rights, franchises, royalties, or privileges of the lord in respect of any fairs, markets, rights of chase or warren, piscaries, or other rights of hunting, shooting, fishing, fowling, or otherwise taking game, fish, or fowl.

Provided that the owner of the land so enfranchised shall, notwithstanding any reservation of mines or minerals in this Act or in the instrument of enfranchisement, but without prejudice to the rights to any mines or minerals, or the right to work or carry away the same, have full power to disturb or remove the soil so far as is necessary or convenient for the purpose of making roads or drains or erecting buildings or obtaining water on the land.

(2.) A steward shall not, without special authority, have power to consent on behalf of a lord under this section.

Power for tenant to grant easements to lord.

24.—(1.) On an enfranchisement under this Act there may be reserved or granted, with the consent of the tenant, to the lord any right of way or other easement in the land enfranchised for more effectually winning and carrying away any mines or minerals under the land.

(2.) The easement must be reserved by the award or granted in the deed of enfranchisement.

PART IV.

Provisions as to Consideration Money, Expenses, Rent-charges.

Consideration Money.

Power to give receipts.

25. The receipt of any person for any money paid to him in pursuance of this Act shall be a sufficient discharge for the money, and the person paying it shall not be bound to see to the application or be liable for the misapplication or loss thereof.

Payment of enfranchisement money.

26.—(1.) Money payable under this Act as the compensation or consideration for an enfranchisement may, subject to the other provisions of this Act, be paid to the lord for the time being.

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Provided that where any money is payable in pursuance of this section to a lord having only a limited estate or interest in the manor, the Board of Agriculture—

(*a*) if the money exceeds the sum of twenty pounds for all the enfranchisements in the manor, shall direct it to be paid into Court or to trustees in manner provided by this Act; and

(*b*) if the money does not exceed the sum of twenty pounds for all the enfranchisements in the manor, may direct it either to be paid in manner aforesaid, or to be retained by the lord for his own use, as in their discretion they think fit.

(2.) If a lord refuses to accept any money payable to him under this section the money shall be paid into Court or to trustees in manner provided by this Act.

(3.) If any money in respect of the compensation or consideration for an enfranchisement is paid to a lord whose title afterwards proves to be bad or insufficient, the rightful owner of the manor or his representative may recover the amount from the person to whom it was paid, or his representative, with interest at the rate of five pounds per cent per annum from the time of the title proving to be bad or insufficient.

(4.) If any principal money is paid for enfranchisement to a person who is not entitled to receive it under the provisions of this Act, the land enfranchised shall continue to be charged with the payment of the money in favour of the person entitled:

Provided that the person entitled to the land may recover the money as against the person who wrongfully received it.

(5.) If any dispute arises as to the proper application, appropriation, or investment under this Act of any money payable in respect of an enfranchisement, the Board of Agriculture may decide the question, and their decision shall be final.

Rentcharges.

Payment of rentcharges under Act.

27. The following provisions shall apply to every rentcharge created under the provisions of this Act:—

(*a*.) The rentcharge shall be payable half-yearly on the first day of January and the first day of July in every year:

(*b*.) The first payment of a rentcharge shall be made on such one of those half-yearly days of payment as next follows the day fixed for the commencement of the rentcharge, or if no such day is fixed, the date of the award or deed of enfranchisement, and shall be of an amount proportional to the interval between the commencement of the rentcharge and the said day of payment:

(*c.*) The rentcharge shall be a first charge on the land charged therewith, and shall have priority over all incumbrances affecting the land except tithe rentcharge and any charge having priority by statute, notwithstanding those incumbrances are prior in date: A.D. 1894.

(*d.*) The rentcharge shall be deemed to be granted to the lord and his heirs, to the uses, on the trusts, and subject to the powers and provisions subsisting, at the date of the enfranchisement in consideration of which the rentcharge arises, in respect of the manor of which the land subject to the rentcharge was held, and shall be appendant and appurtenant to the manor, but not so as to be incapable of being severed therefrom or to be affected by the extinction thereof:

(*e.*) The rentcharge whenever created shall be recoverable by the like remedies as are provided by section forty-four of the Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, 1881, in respect of rentcharges created after the commencement of that Act.

Provided that an occupying tenant who properly pays on account of a rentcharge any money which as between him and his landlord that tenant is not liable to pay, shall be entitled to recover from the landlord the money paid, or to deduct it from the next rent payable by the tenant; and an intermediate landlord who pays or allows any sum under this provision may in like manner recover it from his superior landlord, or deduct it from his rent.

Apportionment of rentcharge.

28. The persons for the time being entitled to a rentcharge under this Act, and to the land subject to the rentcharge respectively, whether in possession or in remainder or reversion expectant on an estate for a term of years, may apportion the rentcharge between the several parts of the land charged therewith.

Provided as follows:—

(*a.*) Where the person entitled to the land is not absolutely entitled thereto, the apportionment shall not be made without the consent of the Board of Agriculture: and

(*b.*) A person entitled to an undivided share in a rentcharge or land shall not exercise the powers of this section unless the persons entitled to the other undivided shares concur in the apportionment.

Protection of lessees from liability to rentcharge.

29. A sub-lessee under a sub-lease shall not, as between him and his lessor, be liable in consequence of the creation or apportionment of a rentcharge under this Act to pay any greater sum of money than he would have been liable to pay if the charge or apportionment had not been made.

Redemption of rentcharge.

30.—(1.) A rentcharge created under this Act may be redeemed on any half-yearly day of payment by the person for the time

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being in actual possession or in receipt of the rents and profits of the land subject to the rentcharge, on payment to the person for the time being entitled to receive the rentcharge of the consideration provided by this section.

Provided that where the person entitled to the rentcharge is entitled for a limited estate or interest only, the Board of Agriculture—

(*a*) if the money exceeds the sum of twenty pounds for all the rentcharges under this Act in the manor, shall direct it to be paid into court or to trustees in manner provided by this Act; and

(*b*) in any other case, may direct it either to be paid in manner aforesaid or to be retained by that person for his own use.

(2.) The consideration for the redemption of a rentcharge under this section shall,—

(*a*) where the rentcharge is of fixed amount, be twenty-five times the yearly amount of the rentcharge; and

(*b*) in any other case, be a sum to be fixed by the Board of Agriculture on the request of the person entitled to redeem the rentcharge.

(3.) The person intending to redeem shall give to the person for the time being entitled to receive the rentcharge six months' previous notice in writing of his intention.

(4.) If on the expiration of the notice the redemption money and all arrears of the rentcharge are not paid, the person for the time being entitled to receive the rentcharge shall have for the recovery of the redemption money and all arrears, if any, of the rentcharge the like powers in respect of the land charged as are given by the Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, 1881, to a mortgagee in respect of the mortgaged property for the recovery of the mortgage debt and interest in a case where the mortgage is by deed.

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(5.) When it appears to the Board of Agriculture that payment or tender of the consideration for the redemption of a rentcharge has been duly made, the Board may certify that the rentcharge has been redeemed and the certificate shall be conclusive.

(6.) The expenses incurred in redeeming a rentcharge under this section shall be dealt with on the same footing as the expenses incurred in redeeming a mortgage.

Power to sell rentcharge.

31.—(1.) Where the person for the time being entitled to the receipt of a rentcharge under this Act is entitled thereto for a limited estate or interest only, or is a corporation not authorised to sell the rentcharge except under the provisions of this Act, that

person may sell and transfer the rentcharge with the consent of the Board of Agriculture given under their seal. A.D. 1894.

(2.) When a rentcharge is sold under this section the consideration money for the sale shall be paid into Court or to trustees in manner directed by this Act.

Provided that when the consideration does not exceed the sum of twenty pounds for all the rentcharges under this Act in the manor the consideration may be paid, if the Board of Agriculture so direct, to the person for the time being entitled to receive the rentcharge for his own use.

Application of Money to be paid under Act into Court or to Trustees.

Payment of money into Court or to trustees.

32.—(1.) Where money is directed by or in pursuance of this Act to be paid into Court it shall be paid into the High Court in manner provided by rules of Court to an account ex parte the Board of Agriculture.

(2.) Where money is directed by this Act to be paid to trustees it shall be paid—

(*a.*) if there are any trustees acting under a settlement under which the lord or owner of the manor or rentcharge in respect of which the money arises derives his estate or interest in the manor or rentcharge, then to those trustees or to such one or more of them as the Board of Agriculture direct; and

(*b.*) in any other case to trustees appointed by the Board of Agriculture.

(3.) Where money may under the provisions of this Act be paid either into Court or to trustees, it may be paid either into Court or to trustees at the option (where the money arises in respect of an enfranchisement) of the lord for the time being, and (where it arises in respect of a rentcharge) of the owner for the time being of the rentcharge.

(4.)—(*a.*) The Board of Agriculture may appoint fit persons to be trustees for the purposes of this Act.

(*b.*) Where any trustee appointed by the Board of Agriculture dies the Board shall appoint a new trustee in his place.

(*c.*) Where any trustee appointed by the Board desires to resign, or remains out of the United Kingdom for more than twelve months, or refuses or is unfit to act, or is incapable of acting the Board may if they think fit appoint another trustee in his place.

(*d.*) An appointment under this section must be by order under the seal of the Board of Agriculture.

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Investment of money in Court or in hands of trustees.

33.—(1.) Where in pursuance of this Act any money in respect of an enfranchisement or the redemption or sale of a rentcharge is paid into Court or to trustees the money shall when paid into Court be applied under the direction of the Court, and when paid to trustees be applied, subject to the consent of the Board of Agriculture, by the trustees, in one, or partly in one and partly in another or others, of the following modes of application or investment; that is to say,

(*a*) in the purchase or redemption of the land tax or in or towards the discharge of any incumbrance affecting the manor or the rentcharge or other hereditaments settled with the manor or rentcharge to the same or the like uses or trusts; or

(*b*) in the purchase of land; or

(*c*) in investment in two and three quarters per centum consolidated stock or in Government or real securities, or in any of the investments in which trustees are for the time being authorised by law to invest; or

(*d*) in payment to any person who would, if the enfranchisement or redemption or sale had not taken place, be absolutely entitled to the manor or the rentcharge respectively.

(2.) Land purchased under this section shall be conveyed to the uses, on the trusts, and subject to the powers and provisions which are or would but for the enfranchisement or redemption or sale be subsisting in the manor or rentcharge, as the case may be, or as near thereto as circumstances permit.

(3.) The income of an investment under this section shall be paid to the person who is or would but for the enfranchisement be entitled to the rents and profits of the manor, or would but for the redemption or sale be entitled to the rentcharge, as the case may be.

(4.) An investment or other application of money in Court under this section shall be made on the application of the person who would for the time being be entitled to the income of an investment of the money.

Expenses.

Expenses of dealings under Act, how borne.

34.—(1.) The expenses of a compulsory enfranchisement under this Act shall be borne by the person who requires the enfranchisement.

(2.) A sum in respect of the expenses of a compulsory enfranchisement shall not be due or recoverable from any person until it

has been certified by order of the Board of Agriculture to have been properly incurred.

(3.) The expenses of a voluntary enfranchisement under this Act shall be borne by the lord and tenant in such proportions as they agree, or in default of agreement as the Board of Agriculture direct.

(4.) All expenses which in the opinion of the Board of Agriculture are incidental to an enfranchisement, whether for proof of title, production of documents, expenses of witnesses, or otherwise, shall, for the purposes of this Act, be expenses of the enfranchisement.

(5.) Where there is any dispute as to the amount of the expenses payable by or to any person under this Act the Board of Agriculture may ascertain the amount and declare it by order, and the order shall be conclusive as to the amount and that it is payable by or to the persons mentioned in that behalf in the order.

(6.) If by reason of dispute as to title it appears to the Board of Agriculture to be uncertain on whom an order to pay expenses should be made, the Board may, if they think fit, grant to the person entitled to receive payment of the expenses a certificate of charge on the manor or land, as the case may be, in respect of which the expenses were incurred.

Recovery of expenses.

35.—(1.) When money is declared by this Act to be payable by any person on account of the expenses of proceedings under this Act,—

(*a*) it may be recovered as a debt due from the person liable to pay to the person entitled to receive it;

(*b*) if the expenses are in respect of a compulsory enfranchisement, and the amount is certified by an order of the Board of Agriculture, it may be recovered in any way provided by this Act for the recovery of the consideration for the enfranchisement;

(*c*) if the amount is certified by an order of the Board of Agriculture, and the person liable to pay the amount does not pay it immediately after receiving notice of the order, the person to whom the amount is payable shall be entitled to obtain from a court of summary jurisdiction a warrant of distress against the goods of the person in default;

(*d*) if the money is payable by a lord to a tenant, or by the owner of a rentcharge to the owner of the land charged, it may be set off against any money which at the time is receivable by the lord from the tenant, or by the owner of the rentcharge from the owner of the land charged, as the case may be.

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(2.) If a tenant who is a trustee, or is not beneficially interested in the land of which he is tenant, properly pays any expenses of an enfranchisement under this Act, he may, except as against an unadmitted mortgagee, recover the amount paid from the person who is entitled to the land at the date of the enfranchisement.

(3.) If an occupier of land properly pays any expenses of an enfranchisement under this Act he may deduct the amount paid from his next rent.

Charge for Consideration Money and Expenses.

Charge for consideration money and expenses of tenant.

36.—(1.) Where an enfranchisement is effected under this Act the tenant may charge the land enfranchised with all money paid by him as the compensation or consideration for the enfranchisement, and with his expenses of the enfranchisement, or, with the consent of the lord, with any compensation payable, or with any part thereof respectively.

(2.) Where land is conveyed as the consideration for a voluntary enfranchisement under this Act, and the person conveying the land is absolute owner of the land conveyed, he may charge the land enfranchised with such reasonable sum as the Board of Agriculture consider to be equivalent to the value of the land conveyed and with the expenses of the conveyance.

(3.) Where a lord purchases under this Act a tenant's interest in land he may charge the land purchased, and the manor and any land settled therewith to the same uses, with the purchase money and the expenses of the purchase.

(4.) When a charge may be made under this section, the expenses of the charge may be included in the charge.

(5.) A charge under this section may be for a principal sum and interest thereon not exceeding five per cent per annum, or may be by way of terminable annuity calculated on the same basis.

(6.) A charge under this section may be by deed by way of mortgage, or by a certificate of charge under this Act.

(7.) A charge under this section shall be a first charge on the manor or land subject to the charge, and shall have priority over all incumbrances whatsoever affecting the manor or land, except tithe rentcharge and any charge having priority by statute, notwithstanding that those incumbrances are prior in date.

(8.) Any money secured on land may be continued on the security thereof notwithstanding a charge under this section.

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Charge for lord's expenses.

37.—(1.) Expenses incurred by a lord in proceedings under this Act may—

(*a*) be paid out of any consideration or compensation money (where it is a gross sum) arising in respect of the proceedings; or

(*b*) be charged, together with the expenses of the charge, on the manor or on land settled to the same uses as the manor or on any rentcharge arising in respect of the proceedings or in respect of any enfranchisement made under this Act within the manor.

(2.) A charge under this section shall be by deed by way of mortgage, or by a certificate of charge under this Act.

(3.) This section does not apply to the expenses of a purchase by the lord of a tenant's interest under this Act.

Charge for consideration money where tenant's title proves bad.

38. If a tenant or person claiming to be tenant pays any money in respect of the compensation or consideration for an enfranchisement under this Act, and is afterwards evicted from the land enfranchised, he may claim against the land enfranchised the amount of the money or so much of it as is not charged on the land under the other provisions of this Act, and that amount shall be a charge on the land with interest thereon at the rate of four per cent per annum from the date of the eviction.

Charge for money paid by mortgagee.

39. If a mortgagee pays under this Act any compensation or consideration money or expenses in respect of an enfranchisement of or redemption of a rentcharge on the mortgaged property the amount so paid shall be added to his mortgage, and the mortgaged property shall not be redeemable without payment of that amount and interest thereon.

Power to advance sums required for purposes of Act.

40. Any company authorised to make advances for works of agricultural improvement to owners of settled and other estates, may, subject and according to the provisions of its Act of Parliament, charter, deed, or instrument of settlement, make advances to owners of settled and other estates of such sums as may be required for the payment of any compensation or consideration for enfranchisement under this Act, or of any expenses chargeable on a manor or land under this Act or otherwise, and take for their repayment a charge for the same in accordance with those provisions respectively.

Certificates of charge.

41.—(1.) A certificate of charge under this Act shall be under the seal of the Board of Agriculture, and shall be countersigned by the person at whose instance the charge is made.

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(2.) If the charge is by way of terminable annuity the certificate shall state the amount of the annuity and the term during which it is payable.

(3.) If the charge is for a principal sum and interest the certificate shall state the amount of the principal sum and the rate of interest, and shall contain a proviso declaring that the certificate shall be void on payment of the principal with any arrears of interest due thereon at a time specified in the certificate or at the expiration of an ascertained notice.

(4.) The manor or land charged by the certificate may be described by reference to the proceedings under this Act in respect of which the charge is made, or otherwise as the Board of Agriculture see fit.

(5.) The certificate and the charge made thereby shall be transferable by endorsement on the certificate.

(6.) A certificate of charge taken by the lord of any manor or by the tenant or owner of any land shall not merge in the freehold or other estate in the manor or land unless the owner of the charge, by endorsement on the certificate or otherwise, declares in writing his intention that the charge shall merge.

(7.) The owner for the time being of a certificate of charge shall have for the recovery of any sum in the nature of interest or periodical payment becoming due under the certificate the like remedies as the owner of a rentcharge under this Act has in respect of his rentcharge, and shall also have, in respect of every sum whether in the nature of interest or periodical payment or principal sum secured by the certificate, the like remedies as a mortgagee in fee simple of freehold land has in respect of the principal sum and interest secured by his mortgage.

(8.) A certificate of charge and a transfer thereof may be in the forms contained in that behalf respectively in the First Schedule to this Act, or in forms to the like effect.

PART V.

Administrative Provisions.

Notice of Right to enfranchise.

Notice of right to enfranchise to be given by steward.

42.—(1.) On the admittance or enrolment of any tenant, the steward of the manor shall, without charge, give to the tenant admitted or enrolled, a notice of his right to obtain enfranchisement.

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(2.) The notice shall be in the form contained in that behalf in the First Schedule to this Act, or in a form to the like effect.

(3.) If a steward neglects on any admittance or enrolment to give the notice required by this section, he shall not be entitled to any fee for that admittance or enrolment.

Parties to Proceedings under Act.

Limited owners.

43. Anything by this Act required or authorised to be done by a lord or by a tenant may be done by him notwithstanding that his estate in the manor or land is a limited estate only.

Trustees.

44.—(1.) Anything by this Act required or authorised to be done by a lord or by a tenant may be done by him notwithstanding that he is a trustee.

(2.) Where the lords or the tenants are trustees and one or more of the trustees is abroad or is incapable or refuses to act, any proceedings necessary to be done by the trustees for effecting an enfranchisement under this Act may be done by the other trustee or trustees.

Representation of infants, lunatics, &c.

45. When a lord or a tenant or any person interested in an enfranchisement or redemption or sale or otherwise under this Act is an infant or a lunatic, or is abroad or is unknown or not ascertained, anything by this Act required or authorised to be done by or in respect of him shall be done on his behalf, if he is an infant and has a guardian, by his guardian, and if he is a lunatic and there is a committee of his estate, by the committee, and if he is abroad and has an attorney authorised in that behalf, by his attorney, and in every other case by some fit person appointed by the Board of Agriculture to represent him for the purposes of this Act.

Married woman for purposes of Act to be feme sole.

46. A married woman being lady of a manor or tenant shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to be a feme sole.

Steward in general to represent lord.

47.—(1.) A lord for the purposes of this Act may act either on his own behalf, or by his steward, or may appoint an agent other than his steward to act for him.

(2.) Unless and until a lord has given to a tenant and to the Board of Agriculture notice in writing that he intends to act on his own behalf, or has appointed an agent (to be named in the notice) other than his steward to act for him, the steward shall for the purposes of this Act represent the lord in all matters of procedure, and the tenant and the Board may treat the steward as the agent of the lord for the purpose of giving and receiving notices, and (except

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where this Act expressly requires a special authority from the lord) of making agreements, and of all other matters relating to enfranchisement.

Appointment of agent by power of attorney.

48.—(1.) A lord or tenant or other person interested in any proceedings under this Act may by power of attorney appoint an agent to act for him in the execution of this Act.

(2.) The power of attorney must be in writing, and must be signed by the person giving it, or, if it is given by a corporation aggregate, be sealed or stamped with the seal of the corporation.

(3.) The power of attorney, or a copy thereof authenticated by the signature of two witnesses, must be sent to the Board of Agriculture.

(4.) The appointment of an agent under this section may be revoked by the person who gave it sending to the Board notice in writing, signed or sealed as the case requires, of the revocation.

(5.) When an agent has been appointed under this section, and the agency is subsisting—

(*a*) everything which is by this Act directed or authorised to be done by or in relation to the principal, may be done by or in relation to the agent; and

(*b*) the agent may concur in and execute any agreement or application or document arising out of the execution of this Act; and

(*c*) every person shall be bound by the acts of the agent acting within his authority, as if they were the acts of the principal.

(6.) A power of attorney under this section may be in the form mentioned in that behalf in the First Schedule to this Act, or in a form to the like effect.

Death pending proceedings.

49.—(1.) The proceedings for or in relation to an enfranchisement under this Act shall not abate by the death of the lord or tenant pending the proceedings.

(2.) Where an admittance or enrolment is necessary in consequence of the death, the admittance or enrolment shall be made, but no fine, relief, or heriot shall be payable to the lord in consequence of a death or any admittance or enrolment on a death occurring between the date of a notice to enfranchise or a completed agreement for enfranchisement under this Act, and the enfranchisement in pursuance of that notice or agreement, and the compensation shall be ascertained on the same footing as if the enfranchisement had been effected immediately after the commencement of the proceedings.

Succession of rights and liabilities.

50. All rights conferred and all liabilities imposed by this Act on a lord or on a tenant shall be held to be conferred and imposed respectively on the successors in title of the lord and tenant unless a contrary intention appears.

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Power to require declaration as to lord's title.

51.—(1.) Before any enfranchisement under this Act the Board of Agriculture may if they think fit require the lord or his steward to make a statutory declaration in such form as the Board direct, stating who are the persons for the time being filling the character or acting in the capacity of lord, the nature and extent of the estate and interest of the lord in the manor, and the date and short particulars of the deed, will, or other instrument under which he claims or derives the title, and the name and style of the person in whose name the court of the manor was last holden, and the date of the holding of that court, and the incumbrances, if any, affecting the manor, and the Board may accept a declaration made under this section for the purposes of this Act.

(2.) If the lord or his steward does not make a declaration which he is required to make in pursuance of this section, or if in the opinion of the Board the declaration does not fully and truly disclose all the necessary particulars, or if the lord refuses to give any evidence which the Board think proper and necessary to show a satisfactory primâ facie title in the lord, or if the Board think that the incumbrancers should be protected, the Board may, if they think the justice of the case requires it, direct the compensation or consideration where it is a gross sum to be paid into Court or to trustees in manner directed by this Act.

(3.) Where the lord applies to the Board to effect an enfranchisement under this Act, the Board shall, if the tenant of the land proposed to be enfranchised so requires, satisfy themselves of the title of the lord.

Questions arising in Proceedings under Act.

Boundaries.

52. On an enfranchisement under this Act—

(1.) Where the identity of any land cannot be ascertained to the satisfaction of the valuers, if the quantity of the land is mentioned in the court rolls of the manor, and is therein stated to be in statute measure, the land shall be taken to be of that quantity, and in every other case the quantity shall be determined by the valuers:

(2.) Where the land is not defined by a plan on the court rolls the valuers shall, if requested in writing by the lord or the tenant, define the boundaries of the land by a plan:

Provided that a plan shall not be made except by agreement between the lord and tenant where it appears by the court rolls or otherwise that the boundaries of the land have been for more than fifty years last past treated as being intermixed

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with the boundaries of other lands and as being incapable of definition:

(3.) Where, after the appointment of valuers, there is any doubt or difference of opinion as to the identity of any land, the lord or tenant may apply to the Board of Agriculture to define the boundaries of the land for the purposes of the enfranchisement, and the Board shall ascertain and define the boundaries in such manner as they think proper:

(4.) A plan made under this section and approved by the Board, and a definition of boundaries by the Board under this section, shall be conclusive as between the lord and the tenant.

Power for Board to decide questions arising in enfranchisements.

53.—(1.) If any objection is made or question arises in the course of the valuation in a compulsory enfranchisement under this Act in relation to any alleged custom, or the evidence thereof, or any matter of law or fact material to the valuation or arising on the enfranchisement, the lord or tenant may require, in writing, that the question be referred to the Board of Agriculture, and the Board shall inquire into and decide the question, and their decision shall, subject to the appeal provided by this section, be final.

(2.) Either party may appeal to the High Court by way of special case from a decision of the Board on a matter of law, subject to the following provisions, that is to say:—

(*a*) an application to state a case must be made to the Board within twenty-eight days after the decision appealed from:

(*b*) the person applying for the case must give to the other party to the inquiry not less than fourteen days' previous notice in writing of the intended application:

(*c*) the case shall, if the parties differ, be settled by the Board:

(*d*) the judgment of the court on a special case shall be final and binding on the parties and on the Board.

Power to call for production of documents and examine witnesses.

54.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture, or a valuer, may, for the purposes of this Act, by summons under the seal of the Board—

(*a.*) call for the production, at such time and place as the Board appoint, of any court rolls or copies of court roll, or any books, deeds, plans, documents or writings relating to any matter before them, in the possession or power of any lord or tenant or steward; and

(*b.*) summon to attend as witness any lord or tenant or other person.

(2.) The Board or a valuer may examine any witness on oath and may administer the oath necessary for that purpose.

(3.) A lord or tenant summoned under this section shall not be bound to answer any question as to his title.

(4.) If any person summoned under this section, to whom a reasonable sum has been paid or tendered for his expenses, without lawful excuse neglects or refuses to attend, or to give evidence, or to produce a document in pursuance of the summons, he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five pounds.

(5.) If any person wilfully gives false evidence in any proceeding under this Act he shall be guilty of perjury.

(6.) If any person wilfully destroys or alters any document of which the production is required under this section he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Expenses of inquiries before Board.

55. The Board of Agriculture may, if they think fit, order that the expenses of any inquiry by the Board under this Act, including the expenses of witnesses, and of the production of documents, be paid by the parties to the inquiry, and to such person, and in such proportions, as the Board think proper.

Power to transfer charges on manor to other land or stock.

56.—(1.) Where, in the course of an enfranchisement under this Act, it is found that a manor or the lord's estate and interest in any land belonging thereto, which may be the subject of enfranchisement, is subject to the payment of a fee-farm rent or to any other charge, the Board of Agriculture may, on the application of the person for the time being bound to make the payment or defray the charge, by order under their seal, direct that the rent or charge shall be a charge on any freehold land specified in the order of adequate value and held under the same title as the manor or land respectively, or on an adequate amount of Government stocks or funds to be transferred into Court by the direction of the Board or into the names of trustees appointed by the Board.

(2.) From and after the sealing of the order the manor and land shall be discharged from the rent or charge, and the rent or charge shall be a charge on the land or the funds specified in that behalf in the order.

(3.) There shall, by virtue of this Act, be attached, so far as the nature of the case will admit, to every charge under this section the like remedies, as against the land or funds made subject thereto, for the recovery of the amount charged as might have been had as against the manor or land in respect of the original charge.

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Notices, Instruments, and Forms.

Notices.

57.—(1.) A notice required or authorised by this Act to be given to any person must be given in writing and may be given—

(*a*) by leaving it at his usual or last known place of abode or business in the United Kingdom; or

(*b*) by sending it by post in a registered letter addressed to him at that place; or

(*c*) where he is a tenant of any premises, by delivering the notice or a true copy of it to some person on the premises, or if there is no person on the premises to whom it can be delivered with reasonable diligence, by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

(2.) Where a notice is required by this Act to be given by the Board of Agriculture or a valuer and no other mode of giving the notice is directed, the notice may be either in the name of the Board or valuer, as the case may be, or on their behalf respectively in the name of any person authorised by the Board to give notices.

Stamp duty.

58.—(1.) An agreement, valuation, or power of attorney under this Act shall not be chargeable with stamp duty.

(2.) An enfranchisement award shall be chargeable with the like stamp duty as is chargeable in respect of an enfranchisement deed.

(3.) A certificate of charge under this Act and a transfer thereof shall be chargeable with the like stamp duty as is chargeable in respect of a mortgage and a transfer of a mortgage respectively.

Payment of office fees.

59. The Board of Agriculture may require the payment of all office fees and other expenses of the Board from either lord or tenant requesting the delivery of any award, deed, or order under this Act, before delivering it.

Power for Board to correct errors in instruments.

60.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may at any time if they think fit, on the application of any person interested in an award or deed of enfranchisement or charge or other instrument made or issued or having effect under the provisions of this Act, correct or supply any error or omission arising from inadvertence in that instrument.

(2.) Before making an alteration under this section the Board shall give such notice as they think proper to the persons affected by the alteration.

(3.) An alteration shall not be made in an instrument relating to a voluntary enfranchisement without the consent in writing of the persons affected by the alteration.

(4.) The expenses of and incidental to an application under this section shall be paid by the persons interested in the application or some of them if and as the Board direct.

Execution of enfranchisement instrument to be conclusive of regularity of proceedings.

61.—(1.) The confirmation under the seal of the Board of Agriculture of an award of enfranchisement, and the execution by the Board of a deed of enfranchisement respectively, shall be conclusive evidence of compliance with all the requirements of this Act with respect to proceedings to be taken before the confirmation or execution.

(2.) An award or deed of enfranchisement shall not be impeached by reason of any omission, mistake, or informality therein or in any proceeding relating thereto, or of any want of any notice or consent required by this Act, or of any defect or omission in any previous proceedings in the matter of the enfranchisement.

Inspection of court rolls after enfranchisement.

62.—(1.) Any person interested in any land enfranchised under this Act may at any time inspect and obtain copies of the court rolls of the manor of which the land was held on payment of a reasonable sum for the inspection or copies.

(2.) The Board of Agriculture may, if they think fit, fix a scale of fees to be paid to the steward or person having custody of the court rolls for the inspection and for making extracts or copies.

Evidence from instruments under repealed Acts.

63.—(1.) Any person interested in any land included in any enfranchisement or commutation made by apportionment under the Copyhold Act, 1841, may inspect and obtain copies of or extracts from any instrument relating to the enfranchisement or commutation deposited with a clerk of the peace or steward of a manor under that Act.

(2.) A person requiring under this section inspection of or a copy of or extract from any instrument shall give reasonable notice to the person having the custody of the instrument, and shall pay to him for every inspection a fee of two shillings and sixpence and for every copy and extract a fee at the rate of twopence for every seventy-two words in the copy or extract.

(3.) Every recital or statement in, or agreement, schedule, map, plan, document, or writing annexed to a confirmed apportionment made under the said Act shall be sufficient evidence of the matters recited or stated, and of the accuracy of the map or plan respectively.

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Custody of court rolls after enfranchisement.

64.—(1.) When all the lands held of a manor have been enfranchised, the lord, or with the consent of the lord, any person having custody of the court rolls and records of the manor may hand over all or any of the court rolls and records to the Board of Agriculture or to the Master of the Rolls.

(2.) Where any court rolls or other records are in the custody of the Board of Agriculture, the Board may hand over all or any of them to the Master of the Rolls.

(3.) Any person interested in any enfranchised land may inspect and obtain copies of and extracts from any court rolls or records in the custody of the Board, or of the Master of the Rolls, relating to the manor of which that land was held or was parcel, on payment of such reasonable fees as are fixed from time to time by the Board or the Master of the Rolls respectively.

(4.) The Master of the Rolls may undertake the custody of court rolls and records handed over to him under this section, and may make rules respecting the manner in which, and the time at which inspection may be made and copies and extracts may be obtained of and from the court rolls and records in his custody, and as to the amount and mode of payment of the fees for the inspection, copies, and extracts respectively.

(5.) Every rule made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be, before both Houses of Parliament.

Board to frame and circulate forms.

65. The Board of Agriculture shall frame and cause to be printed forms of notices and agreements and such other instruments as in their judgment will further the purposes of this Act, and shall supply any such form to any person who requires it, or to whom the Board think fit to send it, for the use of any lord or tenant desirous of putting this Act into execution.

Board to publish a scale of compensation.

66.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture shall frame, and cause to be printed and published—

(*a*) such a scale of compensation for the enfranchisement of land from the several rights and incidents, including heriots, specified or referred to in this Act, as in their judgment will be fair and just and will facilitate enfranchisement, together with such directions for the lord, tenant, and valuers as the Board think necessary; and

(*b*) a scale of allowance to valuers for their services in the execution of this Act.

(2.) The Board may vary any such scale.

(3.) The scales published by the Board under this section shall be for guidance only, and shall not be binding as a matter of law in any particular case.

(4.) The person requiring an enfranchisement shall state to the other party to the enfranchisement whether he is or is not willing to adopt the scale of compensation published by the Board.

Legal Proceedings.

Proceedings under Act not to be quashed for want of form nor removed by certiorari.

67. An order or proceeding under this Act by, or before, or under the authority of the Board of Agriculture, or a conviction under this Act, shall not be quashed for want of form, and shall not be removed by certiorari or otherwise into the High Court or any other court.

PART VI.

Application of Act to special Manors.

Proceedings for determining compensation in certain enfranchisements of Crown lands.

68.—(1.) Where a manor is vested in Her Majesty in right of the Crown or of the Duchy of Lancaster, either in possession or in remainder expectant on an estate less than an estate of inheritance, and either solely or in coparcenary with a subject, and the Commissioners of Woods or the Chancellor and Council of the Duchy of Lancaster in exercise of the powers vested in them enter into negotiations for the enfranchisement of any land held of the manor, and cannot agree with the tenant as to the amount of the consideration money to be paid by him for the enfranchisement to the Commissioners or to the Receiver-General of the Duchy of Lancaster as the case may be, the Commissioners or the Chancellor and Council, as the case may be, may, if they think fit, on the request of the tenant, and on an agreement for the enfranchisement being entered into by them and the tenant respectively, refer it to the Board of Agriculture to appoint a surveyor to determine the said amount.

(2.) The Board of Agriculture shall on a reference being made under this section appoint a practical land surveyor for the purposes of the reference, and his award shall be final.

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(3.) The expenses of and incidental to a reference under this section shall be treated as expenses on a compulsory enfranchisement at the instance of the tenant.

Voluntary enfranchisement under Act in certain Crown manors.

69.—(1.) Where a manor is vested in Her Majesty in right of the Crown in remainder or reversion expectant on an estate of inheritance, the manor and any land held of the manor may, with the consent in writing of the Commissioners of Woods or one of them be dealt with under the provisions of this Act with respect to a voluntary enfranchisement, subject to the provisions of this section.

(2.) Where the consideration for an enfranchisement under this section is a gross sum it shall either be paid to two trustees to be appointed for the purpose, one by the Commissioners of Woods or one of them, and one by the person for the time being entitled to the rents and profits of the manor, or be paid into Court to the account of ex parte Her Majesty the Queen and the person so entitled as aforesaid.

(3.) Money paid to trustees or into Court under this section shall be applied,—

(*a*) in the purchase or redemption of the land tax affecting the manor or any other land settled to the like uses as the manor; or

(*b*) in the purchase of land in fee simple convenient to be held with the manor; or

(*c*) in investment on Government or real securities or in any of the investments in which trustees are for the time being authorised by law to invest.

(4.) The income of an investment under this section shall be paid to the person for the time being entitled to the rents and profits of the manor.

(5.) Where land is purchased with any consideration money under this section, or where the consideration consists of a rentcharge, the land or rentcharge shall be conveyed to the uses on the trusts and subject to the powers and provisions then affecting the manor or as near thereto as circumstances permit.

(6.) On the payment of the consideration where it is a gross sum of money, or on or before the execution of the conveyance of the rentcharge, where the consideration is a rentcharge, the Commissioners of Woods or one of them may join with the person for the

time being entitled to the rents and profits of the manor in executing a deed of enfranchisement.

(7.) The deed shall state in what manner the enfranchisement money, if any, has been applied.

(8.) The deed shall on the enrolment thereof being made in manner provided by this Act, vest in the tenant all the estate, right, and interest of Her Majesty in right of the Crown and of all other persons interested under the settlement of the manor in the land enfranchised, either absolutely or subject to the reservations, if any, contained in the deed.

(9.) A trustee appointed under this section by the Commissioners of Woods or one of them shall be indemnified by the Commissioners out of the rents and profits of the possessions and land revenues of the Crown from all costs and expenses, if any, which he incurs in the execution of the trust, and of which he does not obtain repayment out of the trust moneys.

Enfranchisement in manors held in joint tenancy with the Crown.

70. A manor vested in Her Majesty in right of the Crown in possession, remainder, or reversion, in joint tenancy or coparcenary with a subject may, so far as regards the rights and interests of the subject and of the tenant, be dealt with under this Act, and the provisions of this Act relating to enfranchisements in manors vested in Her Majesty in right of the Crown in remainder or reversion expectant on an estate of inheritance shall apply so far as regards the share or interest of Her Majesty.

Enrolment of instruments on enfranchisements in Crown manors.

71.—(1.) The Keeper of Land Revenue Records and Enrolments shall, for the purpose of preserving a record of enfranchisements under this Act of land held of manors vested in Her Majesty, provide a book in which shall be entered a memorial of every deed of enfranchisement of any such land, and of every grant of a rent-charge on the enfranchisement, and of every conveyance of land purchased with the enfranchisement money.

(2.) The memorial, where it is of a conveyance of land, shall be accompanied by a plan of the land.

(3.) The memorial of any instrument under this section shall be signed by one of the parties to the instrument.

(4.) An instrument of which a memorial is required to be enrolled under this section shall not take effect until there has been written thereon a certificate signed by the Keeper of Land Revenue Records and Enrolments, or by any person acting as his deputy or assistant, that a memorial thereof has been lodged at the office of Land Revenue Records and Enrolments.

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(5.) A certificate purporting to be signed by the Keeper of Land Revenue Records and Enrolments, or by any person acting as his deputy or assistant, shall be admissible as evidence of the facts stated therein.

(6.) A copy of the enrolment of the memorial purporting to be signed and certified to be a true copy by the Keeper of Land Revenue Records and Enrolments, or by any person acting as his deputy or assistant, shall be admissible as evidence of the deed or instrument or facts referred to in the memorial.

(7.) The Treasury may direct what reasonable fees shall be paid in respect of an enrolment under this section, and fees paid for an enrolment shall be deemed to be expenses of the enfranchisement or purchase, as the case may be, in respect of which the enrolment is made.

Consent of ecclesiastical corporations, &c., required to dealings with manors in which they are interested.

72.—(1.) An agreement for an enfranchisement shall not be valid—

(*a*) where the manor or land to be affected by the enfranchisement is held under an ecclesiastical or other corporation; or

(*b*) where any such corporation or the patron of a living is interested in the manor or land to the extent of one-third of the value thereof; or

(*c*) where in the opinion of the Board of Agriculture any such corporation would be affected by the enfranchisement,

unless the agreement is made with the consent in writing of that corporation or person.

(2.) A consent under this section must, in the case of a corporation aggregate, be under the seal of the corporation, and in other cases be signed by the person giving it, and must in every case be annexed to the agreement to which it relates.

Notice to Ecclesiastical Commissioners in certain cases.

73. Where land proposed to be enfranchised under the provisions of this Act with respect to compulsory enfranchisement is held of a manor belonging either in possession or reversion to an ecclesiastical corporation, the Ecclesiastical Commissioners shall have notice of the proceedings, and shall have the like power of expressing assent to or dissent from the proceedings as is provided by this Act with respect to a person entitled in reversion or remainder, and the provisions of this Act with respect to the notice, and the proceedings thereon, shall apply accordingly.

Enfranchisement money for use of spiritual person may

74.—(1.) Any compensation or consideration money to be paid under this Act for the use of any spiritual person in respect of his benefice or cure may at the option of the lord be paid to Queen

Anne's Bounty, and the receipt of the treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge. A.D. 1894.

(2.) Money paid under this section shall be applied by the Bounty as money in their hands appropriated for the augmentation of the benefice or cure, as the case may be. be paid to Queen Anne's Bounty.

75. Where on an enfranchisement under this Act it appears to the Board of Agricultural that the enfranchisement might have been effected under the Episcopal and Capitular Estates Act, 1851, or any Act amending the same— Application of enfranchisement money where enfranchisement might have been under 14 & 15 Vict. c. 104.

(*a*) the consideration for the enfranchisement shall be paid and applied in like manner as if an enfranchisement had been effected under the said Episcopal and Capitular Estates Act and the Acts amending the same; and

(*b*) the Church Estates Commissioners and Ecclesiastical Commissioners respectively shall have the same powers over the consideration money and the interest thereon, and over any land, rentcharges, or securities acquired in respect of the enfranchisement, and over or against any ecclesiastical corporation interested therein respectively, as they would have had if the enfranchisement had been effected with the consent of the Church Estates Commissioners under the said Acts:

Provided that where an ecclesiastical corporation or the Ecclesiastical Commissioners have only a reversionary interest in the manorial rights extinguished by the enfranchisement, the consideration, if it is a gross sum, shall be paid into Court or to trustees, and applied under this Act accordingly until the time when the reversionary interest would if it were not extinguished have come into possession, and the consideration money and the investments thereof shall then be paid or transferred to the Church Estates Commissioners as persons absolutely entitled thereto.

76.—(1.) Where a corporation, or any person, lord of a manor held on a charitable trust within the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1891, is not authorised to make an absolute sale otherwise than under those Acts, or this Act, the compensation or consideration payable to the lord for an enfranchisement or for the redemption or sale of a rentcharge under this Act may at the option of the lord be paid to the Official Trustees of Charitable Funds in trust for the charity. Enfranchisement money may be paid to official trustees of charitable funds on behalf of charity.

(2.) Any principal money paid to the Official Trustees under this section shall be applied by them under the order of the Charity Commissioners for the like purposes as if it had been paid into Court under this Act, and in the meantime the money shall be

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invested, and the income of the investments applied, under the provisions of the said Charitable Trusts Acts with respect to charitable funds paid to the Official Trustees.

Enfranchisement money for use of corporation may be paid to trustees.

77. Any compensation or consideration money to be paid under this Act to the use of a corporation, lord of a manor other than a manor held for charitable purposes within the meaning of the Charitable Trusts Act, 1853, and the Charitable Trusts Amendment Act, 1855, may at the option of the lord be paid to trustees appointed by the Board of Agriculture for the purposes of this Act.

Provision for case of joint lords under 23 & 24 Vict. c. 59. s. 4.

78. Where any manor belonging to any of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Durham, or any college therein, or to either of the colleges of St. Mary at Winchester, near Winchester, or King Henry the Sixth at Eton, is held by any person on a lease for a life or lives, or for a term of years granted by any such university or college, that university or college and lessee shall jointly constitute the lord of the manor within the meaning of this Act, and any rentcharge created under this Act on the enfranchisement of land held of that manor shall be in favour of, and the compensation for the enfranchisement may be paid to, the person who at the date of the enfranchisement is entitled in possession to the profits of the manor, his executors and administrators, but without prejudice to any question as to the further disposal of any money paid in respect of the rentcharge or other compensation respectively. Provided that on the determination of such lease as aforesaid any money so paid or any securities in which the same may have been invested shall be paid or applied as enfranchisement money is directed to be paid and applied by section one of the Universities and College Estates Act, 1858.

Provisions where derivative interests are entered on rolls.

79. The following provisions shall apply to every manor in which the fines are certain, and in which it is the practice for copyholders in fee to grant derivative interests to persons who are admitted as copyholders of the manor in respect of those interests :—

(1.) In the application of this Act to any such manor the tenant shall be the person who is admitted or enrolled in respect of the inheritance, and that person is in this section called the tenant-in-fee.

(2.) The enfranchisement of land to a tenant-in-fee shall enure for the benefit of every person having any customary estate or interest in the land at the date of the enfranchisement, and every such person shall become entitled to an estate or interest in the land corresponding with his customary estate or interest.

(3.) All rentcharges payable in respect of the enfranchisement, and all sums of money payable by a tenant-in-fee for compensation or the expenses of enfranchisement, and the interest thereon, shall, if the parties do not otherwise agree, be borne and paid by the several persons for whose benefit the enfranchisement enures in proportion to their respective interests in the enfranchised land.

(4.) If a dispute arises respecting the apportionment of any such charge or payment, the Board of Agriculture may, on the application of any person interested, after due inquiry make an order apportioning the same.

(5.)—

(*a.*) On the request of the lord, or of one fourth in number of the copyholders for the time being on the court roll of the manor, and on such provision being made for expenses as the Board require, the Board may make a local inquiry for the purpose of ascertaining whether the copyholders of the manor desire that an enfranchisement be effected throughout the manor:

(*b.*) If the Board find that not less than two thirds in number of the copyholders desire the enfranchisement, they shall make an order declaring that enfranchisement of all copyhold tenements of the manor shall take place, and they shall thereupon proceed to ascertain the compensation payable to the lord on the enfranchisement of each tenement held by a tenant-in-fee, and to effect the enfranchisement of that tenement accordingly. The compensation in every case shall consist of a gross sum of money, unless the lord and tenant-in-fee otherwise agree:

(*c.*) When an order declaring enfranchisement as aforesaid has been made—

(i.) all the tenants-in-fee shall contribute rateably to the expenses of the inquiry according to the amount of compensation payable by them respectively;

(ii.) the tenant-in-fee and all copyholders holding derivative interests in the same tenement shall contribute rateably, according to the value of their respective interests, to the compensation, and to all expenses attending the enfranchisement payable by the tenants, including the contribution of the tenant-in-fee to the expenses of the inquiry;

(iii.) the Board may apportion the contributions between the several tenants-in-fee, and also between the several

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tenants of each tenement, and may make orders for the payment of the contributions and expenses by the persons from whom they are due;

(iv.) the Board shall not without the consent of the tenant-in-fee make an award for the enfranchisement of any tenement, until they have apportioned the contributions between the tenant-in-fee and the tenants holding derivative interests in the tenement, and have made orders for payment of, or have satisfied themselves that the tenant-in-fee has full security for, the amounts which the tenants of derivative interests are to contribute:

(6.) Every order of apportionment made by the Board shall be binding on all persons interested in the apportionment, and the expenses of and incident to the apportionment shall be paid by those persons, or any of them, as the Board direct.

Application of Act to part of manor.

80.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may by order under their seal direct that a part of a manor specified in the order shall be considered as a manor for the purpose of effecting an enfranchisement under this Act, and all the provisions of this Act shall apply accordingly.

(2.) An order shall not be made under this section for the purposes of a voluntary enfranchisement without the consent of the lord in writing under his hand and seal.

PART VII.

General Law of Copyholds.

Restraint on creation of new copyholds.

81.—(1.) It shall not be lawful for the lord of any manor to make grants of land not previously of copyhold tenure to any person to hold by copy of court roll, or by any customary tenure, without the previous consent of the Board of Agriculture.

(2.) The Board of Agriculture in giving or withholding their consent to a grant under this section shall have regard to the same considerations as are to be taken into account by them in giving or withholding their consent to an inclosure of common lands.

(3.) When a grant has been lawfully made under this section the land therein comprised shall cease to be of copyhold tenure, and shall be vested in the grantee thereof to hold for the interest granted as in free and common socage.

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Power to hold customary court though no copyholder present.

82.—(1.) A customary court may be held for a manor—

(*a*) although there is no copyhold tenant of the manor; and

(*b*) although there is no copyhold tenant or only one copyhold tenant present at the court; and

(*c*) either by the lord or steward or deputy steward.

(2.) A court held under the authority of this section shall be a good and sufficient customary court for all purposes:

Provided as follows:—

(*a.*) A proclamation made at the court shall not affect the right or interest of any person not present at the court unless notice of the proclamation is duly served on him within one month after the holding of the court; and

(*b.*) This section shall not apply to a court held for the purpose of receiving the consent of the homage to a grant of common or waste land to hold by copy of court roll.

Power to make grants out of manor and out of court.

83. Where a lord may grant land to hold by copy of court roll or by any customary tenure the grant may be made—

(*a*) out of the manor; and

(*b*) without holding a court; and

(*c*) either by the lord or steward or deputy steward:

Provided that where by the custom of a manor the lord is authorised with the consent of the homage to grant any common or waste lands to hold by copy of court roll, this section shall not authorise the lord to make the grant without the consent of the homage assembled at a customary court.

Manner of making admittance.

84.—(1.) A valid admittance to land of copyhold or customary tenure may be made—

(*a*) out of the manor; and

(*b*) without holding a court; and

(*c*) without a presentment by the homage of the surrender, instrument, or fact in pursuance of which the admittance is made; and

(*d*) either by the lord or steward or deputy steward.

(2.) Any person entitled to admittance may be admitted by his attorney duly appointed whether orally or in writing.

Surrenders, &c. out of Court to be entered on court rolls.

85.—(1.) Every surrender and deed of surrender which a lord is compellable to accept or accepts, and every will a copy of which is delivered to him either at a court at which there is not a homage assembled or out of court, and every grant or admittance made in pursuance of this Act, shall be entered on the court rolls.

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(2.) An entry made in pursuance of this section shall be as valid for all purposes as an entry made in pursuance of a presentment by the homage.

(3.) The steward shall be entitled to the same fees and charges for an entry under this section as for an entry made in pursuance of a presentment by the homage.

Power to alienate ancient tenements in portions with licence of lord.

86.—(1.) A lord may, notwithstanding any custom to the contrary, grant a licence to a tenant to alienate his ancient tenement or any part thereof by devise, sale, exchange, or mortgage, and either together or in parcels.

(2.) On the alienation under this section of a part of a tenement, or of a tenement in parcels, the lord may apportion the yearly customary rent payable for the whole tenement.

(3.) A parcel alienated under this section shall be subject to its apportioned part of the customary rent, and shall be held of the lord of the manor in all respects and be conveyed in like manner as the original tenement.

(4.) A licence under this section must be in writing and must be entered on the court rolls.

(5.) A steward may give a licence under this section if authorised in writing by the lord, but not otherwise.

Partition of copyhold land.

87. In an action for the partition of land of copyhold or customary tenure the like order may be made as may be made with respect to land of freehold tenure.

Descent of trust and mortgage estates in copyholds.

88. Section thirty of the Conveyancing and Law of Property Act, 1881, shall not apply to land of copyhold or customary tenure vested in the tenant on the court rolls on trust or by way of mortgage.

Receipt for consideration where under 500*l.* for enfranchisement not under Act.

89.—(1.) Where an agreement for enfranchisement is made independently of this Act, and the consideration for the enfranchisement is a gross sum and does not exceed five hundred pounds, the lord may make a statutory declaration stating the particulars of his estate and interest in the manor.

(2.) If the declaration shows that the lord is entitled to make the enfranchisement, and to receive the consideration money for his own use, an enfranchisement by the lord shall be valid, and the lord's receipt for the consideration money shall effectually discharge the person paying it from being bound to see to the application or being answerable for any loss or misapplication thereof.

(3.) Where a lord receives as the consideration for an enfranchisement within this section any money to which he is not in fact entitled for his own use, he shall be deemed to have received the money as trustee for the persons who are entitled thereto.

PART VIII.

Authority for Execution of Act.

Board of Agriculture to make annual report.

90. The Board of Agriculture shall in every year make a general report of their proceedings in the execution of this Act, and the report shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament as soon as may be after it is made.

Delegation of powers of Board.

91.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may delegate to any officer of the Board any of their powers under this Act except the power to confirm agreements or awards, or to frame forms, or to do any act required by this Act to be done under the seal of the Board.

(2.) The powers so delegated shall be exercised under such regulations as the Board direct.

(3.) The Board may recall or alter any power delegated under this section, and may, notwithstanding the delegation, act as if no delegation had been made.

(4.) All acts done by an officer of the Board lawfully authorised in pursuance of this section shall be obeyed by all persons as if they proceeded from the Board, and the non-observance thereof shall be punishable in like manner.

Power of entry for purposes of Act.

92.—(1.) A member or officer of the Board of Agriculture and a valuer or umpire appointed under this Act, and their agents and servants respectively, may enter on any land proposed to be dealt with under this Act, and may make all necessary measurements, plans, and valuations of the land.

(2.) A person before entering on land under this section must give reasonable notice of his intention to the occupier of the land.

(3.) If a person does any injury in the execution of the powers of this section he shall make compensation therefor.

Penalty for obstructing persons administering Act.

93. If any person obstructs or hinders a member or officer of the Board of Agriculture or a valuer or umpire acting under the powers of this Act, he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five pounds.

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PART IX.

Definitions, Savings, and Repeal.

94. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires—

Interpretation.

The expressions "admittance" and "enrolment" include every licence of any assurance, and every ceremony, act, and assent whereby the tenancy or holding of a tenant is perfected, and the expressions "admit" and "enrol" have corresponding meanings:

The expression "ecclesiastical corporation" means an ecclesiastical corporation within the meaning of the Episcopal and Capitular Estates Act, 1851, and the Acts amending the same:

The expression "enfranchisement" includes the discharge of freehold lands from heriots and other manorial rights:

The expression "heriot" includes a money payment in lieu of a heriot:

The expression "land" includes an undivided share in land:

The expression "lord" means a lord of a manor whether seised for life or in tail or in fee simple, and whether having power to sell the manor or not, or the person for the time being filling the character of or acting as lord whether lawfully entitled or not, and includes all ecclesiastical lords seised in right of the church or otherwise, and lords farmers holding under them, and bodies corporate or collegiate:

The expression "manor" includes a reputed manor:

The expression "rent" includes reliefs and services (not being services at the lord's court), and every payment or render in money, produce, kind, or labour due or payable in respect of any land held of or parcel of a manor:

The expression "steward" includes a deputy steward and a clerk of a manor and any person for the time being filling the character of or acting as steward whether lawfully entitled or not:

The expression "tenant"—

(*a*) includes all persons holding by copy of court roll or as customary tenants or holding land subject to any manorial right or incident, and whether the land is held to them and their heirs or to two or more in succession or for life or lives or years, and whether the land is held of a manor or not; and

(*b*) includes a surrenderee by way of mortgage under a surrender entered on the court rolls in possession or in receipt of the rents and profits of the land; and

(*c*) where land is held in undivided shares means the person for the time being in receipt of at least two-thirds of the value of the rents and profits of the land.

The expression "valuer" includes an umpire.

General savings.

95. Nothing in this Act—

(*a*) shall affect the custom of gavelkind in the county of Kent: or

(*b*) shall authorise a lord to enclose any common or waste land: or

(*c*) shall revive any right to fines or other manorial claims which are at any time barred by any statute of limitations: or

(*d*) shall interfere with any enfranchisement which may be made independently of this Act: or

(*e*) shall interfere with the exercise of any powers contained in any other Act of Parliament: or

(*f*) shall, except as in this Act expressly provided, apply to manors or land vested in Her Majesty in right of the Crown or of the Duchy of Lancaster: or

(*g*) shall extend to or prejudice the estate, right, title, privilege, or authority of Her Majesty in right of the Duchy of Cornwall, or the possessions thereof, or of the Duke of Cornwall for the time being: or

(*h*) shall extend to manors belonging either in possession or reversion to any ecclesiastical corporation or to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners where the tenant has not a right of renewal.

Savings as to compulsory enfranchisement.

96. The provisions of this Act with respect to a compulsory enfranchisement shall not apply—

(*a*) to any copyhold land held for a life or lives or for years where the tenant has not a right of renewal; nor

(*b*) to manors in which Her Majesty has any estate or interest in possession, reversion, or remainder.

Saving as to land registry.

97. Nothing in this Act shall affect any right acquired in pursuance of registration under the Land Registry Act, 1862, or the Land Transfer Act, 1875, except to such extent as may be recorded by registration in pursuance of those Acts.

Application of Act to Crown.

98.—(1.) The provisions of this Act relating to—

(*a*) the grant of easements to a lord of a manor for mining purposes;

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(*b*) the holding of customary courts although a copyhold tenant is not present;

(*c*) the making of grants or admittances out of the manor and out of court;

(*d*) the making of admittances without a presentment by the homage;

(*e*) the entry of surrenders and wills on the court rolls; and

(*f*) the partition of lands of copyhold or customary tenure,

shall extend to manors and lands vested in Her Majesty in right of the Crown or of the Duchy of Lancaster.

(2.) The said provision relating to the grant of easements shall extend to an enfranchisement of land held of a manor vested in Her Majesty effected under the provisions of any existing Act of Parliament.

Extent of Act.

99. This Act shall not extend to Scotland or Ireland.

Repeal.

100. The enactments described in the Third Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed to the extent appearing in the third column of the said schedule.

Provided that all awards, deeds, orders, certificates, scales, instruments, charges, and rentcharges made, executed, granted, created, or having effect under any enactment repealed by this Act shall have effect as if this Act had not passed.

Short title.

101. This Act may be cited as the Copyhold Act, 1894.

SCHEDULES.

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FIRST SCHEDULE.

FORMS.

1. Declaration to be made by Valuers and Umpires.

Sect. 5.

I, *A.B.*, declare that I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, value, hear, and determine the matters referred to me under the Copyhold Act, 1894.

A.B.

Made and subscribed in the presence of
this day of 189 .

2. Certificate of Charge.

Sect. 41.

The Board of Agriculture hereby certify that the land mentioned in the schedule to this certificate is charged with the payment to *A.B.*, his executors, administrators, or assigns, [*or* to the lord of the manor of for the time being] of the following series of periodical payments; that is to say, the sum of pounds payable on the day of , the further sum of pounds payable on the day of &c. [*or* with the principal sum of pounds with interest thereon after the rate of per cent per annum, the principal to be repayable in manner following, that is to say [*state the terms*]]; and the Board further certify that after payment of the series of periodical payments above mentioned [*or* after payment of the principal money hereby charged and all arrears of interest due thereon] this certificate shall be void. In witness whereof the Board of Agriculture have hereunto set their official seal this day of 189 .

The Schedule.

E.F.
G.H.

3. Transfer of Certificate of Charge.

Sect. 41.

I, *A.B.*, of hereby transfer the within certificate of charge to *C.D.* of

Dated this day of 189 .

A.B.

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Sect. 42.

4. Notice of Right to Enfranchise.

Take notice that if you desire that the copyhold land which you hold of this manor of shall become freehold you are entitled to enfranchise the same on paying the lord's compensation and the steward's fees. The lord's compensation may be fixed either by agreement between the lord and you, or by a valuer appointed by the lord and you or through the agency of the Board of Agriculture, to whom you may make application, if you think fit, to effect the enfranchisement.

Sect. 48.

5. Power of Attorney.

Manor of in the county of

I, *A.B.*, of , hereby appoint *C.D.*, of to be my lawful attorney to act for me in all respects as if I myself were present and acting in the execution of the Copyhold Act, 1894.

Dated this day of 189 .

(Signed) *A.B.*

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Scale of Steward's Compensation.

Sect. 9.

When the consideration for the enfranchisement—

	£	s.	d.
Does not exceed 1*l.*	0	5	0
Exceeds 1*l.* but does not exceed 5*l.*	0	10	0
„ 5*l.* „ „ 10*l.*	1	0	0
„ 10*l.* „ „ 15*l.*	2	0	0
„ 15*l.* „ „ 20*l.*	3	0	0
„ 20*l.* „ „ 25*l.*	4	0	0
„ 25*l.* „ „ 50*l.*	6	0	0
„ 50*l.* „ „ 100*l.*	7	0	0
For every additional 50*l.*, or fractional part of 50*l.*, over and above the first 100*l.*	0	10	0

The compensation to be exclusive of stamps and paper or parchment, or map or plan, which are to be paid for by the tenant.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Enactments Repealed.

Sect. 101.

Session and Chapter.	Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
4 & 5 Vict. c. 35. -	The Copyhold Act, 1841 - -	The whole Act.
6 & 7 Vict. c. 23. -	The Copyhold Act, 1843 - -	The whole Act.
7 & 8 Vict. c. 55. -	The Copyhold Act, 1844 - -	The whole Act.
15 & 16 Vict. c. 51. -	The Copyhold Act, 1852 - -	The whole Act.
21 & 22 Vict. c. 94. -	The Copyhold Act, 1858 - -	The whole Act.
23 & 24 Vict. c. 59. -	The Universities and College Estate Act, 1860.	Section four.
50 & 51 Vict. c. 73. -	The Copyhold Act, 1887 - -	The whole Act.

Copyhold (Consolidation). [H.L.]

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INTITULED

An Act to consolidate the Copyhold Acts.

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[Bill 344.]

Coroners Act (1837) Amendment.

MEMORANDUM.

The object of the Bill is to do away with the duty, at present incumbent on a jury, of viewing a body prior to an inquest. Ample safeguards are provided to ensure identification, either by persons acquainted with the deceased or by a medical officer.

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TO

Amend the Coroners Act, 1887.

A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

Viewing dead body by jury left to discretion of coroner.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Coroners Act, 1887, it shall not be obligatory upon the coroner and jury to view a dead body at any inquest except in cases where the coroner shall deem a view necessary.

Identification, where possible, necessary.

2. There shall, in all cases where possible, be an identification of the dead body by a competent person or persons.

Evidence on oath to be given as to identification before coroner.

3. Any person or persons identifying a dead body shall do so prior to the inquest in the presence of the coroner's officer or a police constable, and such coroner's officer or police constable shall give evidence upon oath before the coroner that such identification has taken place.

When view by jury dispensed with medical evidence to be ordered.

4. In all cases where a view of the dead body has been dispensed with, it shall be obligatory on the coroner to order a medical man to examine it, with or without a post-mortem examination, and give evidence thereon at the inquest.

Short title and extent of Act.

5. This Act may be cited as the Coroners Act Amendment, 1894, and shall not apply to Scotland or Ireland.

Coroners Act (1887) Amendment.

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To amend the Coroners Act, 1887.

(*Prepared and brought in by Captain Grice-Hutchinson, Mr. Ernest Spencer, Mr. J. A. Bright, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Godson, Mr. Brooke Robinson, and Captain Norton.*)

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[Bill 67.]

Corporate Associations (Property) Bill.

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

Clause.

1. Property of associations held on trust for successors.
2. Associations exempted from operation of the Act.
3. Definitions.
4. Short title.

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FOR

The better securing their Property to Corporate Associations, and for preventing the alienation of their Funds. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS divers corporate associations have been established within the United Kingdom for the advancement of commerce, art, science, religion, or learning, or of the interests of certain trades or professions, or for other non-trading purposes:

And whereas it appears from the instruments relating to their establishment, or from the fact of their having existed for many years, or from other evidence, that such associations were established with a view to a continued existence:

And whereas doubts are entertained whether it is not lawful for the individual members for the time being of such associations, by arrangement amongst themselves, to terminate the existence of such associations contrary to the intentions of the persons who established the same, and to divide the property amongst themselves; and it is expedient to remove such doubts:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Property of associations held on trust for successors.

1. It is hereby declared that where a corporate or quasi association has been or may hereafter be established for the advancement of commerce, art, science, religion, or learning, or of the interests of certain trades or professions, or for any other purpose not being a trading purpose, and it appears from the instruments relating to its establishment, or from the fact of its having existed for many years, or from other evidence, that such association was established with a view to a continued existence, in any such case the property belonging to or held on trust for the association shall, in so far as the application thereof is not affected by any express trust, be deemed to be and to have been held on trust for the members for the time being of the association and their successors; and it shall not be

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lawful for the members for the time being of the association, by arrangement or otherwise, to terminate without the leave of one of Her Majesty's superior courts the existence of such association, or to apply such property to the benefit of the individual members of the association for the time being, otherwise than in so far as may be consistent with carrying into effect the objects of the association.

Associations exempted from operation of the Act.

2. This Act shall not apply to any association established for trading purposes, or to any association by the constitution of which express power is given to the members for the time being to terminate the existence of the association, or to divide the property or its proceeds amongst themselves, or to any association which proves to the satisfaction of one of Her Majesty's superior courts that, by reason of its objects or the shortness of the time during which it has been established, the members for the time being are justified in dissolving the same, and in dividing the property or the proceeds thereof amongst themselves; and this Act shall not affect any powers vested in any competent tribunal of disposing of or altering the trusts of any property.

Definitions.

3. "A quasi-corporate association" means an association in which the vacancies among the members are filled up or may be filled up according to the regulations or practice of the association by the substitution of other members from time to time in such manner as to provide for the preservation of the continuity of the association.

"An association established for trading purposes" means a joint stock or other association the main object of which is to carry on a trade or business with a view of producing profits to be applied for the pecuniary benefit of the members of the association.

Short title.

4. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Corporate Property Security Act, 1894.

Corporate Associations (Property).

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B I L L

For the better securing their Property to Corporate Associations, and for preventing the alienation of their Funds.

(*Prepared and brought in by Mr. Howell, Mr. Barrow, Mr. Beaufoy, Mr. J. Williams Benn, Mr. Cremer, Mr. Frederick Frye, Mr. Montagu, Mr. Pickersgill, Mr. James Rowlands, Mr. Stuart, and Mr. Stewart Wallace.*)

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[Bill 129.]

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TO

Restrict the Hours of Labour in the Cotton Trade to Forty-eight per Week. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS it is desirable and expedient to protect the industrial classes against the evils arising from the excessive hours of labour:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Limitation of hours of work.

1. On and after the *first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five* no person shall (subject to the provisions herein-after contained) work or cause or suffer any other person to work in any capacity under any contract or agreement, or articles for hire of labour, for more than *eight and three quarter hours* on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of each week, or *five and a half hours* on Saturday (holidays excepted), or for more than *forty-eight hours* in any week, in any mill, factory, or workshop where cotton is worked either separately or in conjunction with other fabrics.

Penalties.

2.—(1.) Any employer, manager, or other person having superintendence who shall cause or allow any person subject to his authority or commands, in his employment, to work in any capacity under any contract or agreement, or articles for hire of labour, for a longer period than is set forth in clause one, shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty of not less than *ten pounds* for every such offence.

(2.) Nothing in this Bill shall apply to any person (other than a woman or young person) employed in erecting, repairing, cleaning, or examining any engine gearing or machinery or boiler in the aforesaid mill, factory, or workshop.

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Prosecution of offences.

3. All offences under this Act, and all money and costs directed by this Act to be recovered as fines, shall be prosecuted and recovered in a manner directed by the Summary Jurisdiction Act before a court of summary jurisdiction.

Summary orders.

4. Summary orders under this Act may be made on complaint before a court of summary jurisdiction in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Provision for poll to be taken as to application of Act.

5.—(1.) At any time after the *passing of this Act*, any twenty members of any trade union in the cotton trade may present a memorial in writing to the Board of Trade, requiring a poll to be taken on the question whether this Act shall apply.

(2.) Thereupon a poll shall be taken on that question of all the members of that trade union in the United Kingdom, in accordance with the memorial, in manner directed by this Act, of all members of that trade union.

(3.) If a majority of the persons voting on the above question resolve in the negative, this Act shall not apply until a further poll has been taken on the same question subject to the same conditions and in the same manner, and at such poll that question has been resolved in the affirmative. When any poll has been taken under this section a further poll shall not be taken on the same question till *three years* have elapsed.

Polls to be taken by ballot.

6. Polls under this Act shall be taken by ballot and in accordance with rules to be framed by order of the Board of Trade. The Board of Trade in such rules shall provide by means of a system of certificates or otherwise for the identification of voters as members of the trade union in question, and may apply to such polls any of the penal or other provisions of the Ballot Act, 1872, with such adaptations and modifications as the Board think fit.

Short title.

7. This Act shall be cited for all purposes as the Cotton Trade Forty-eight Hours Act, 1894.

Cotton Trade (Forty-eight Hours).

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BILL

To restrict the Hours of Labour in the Cotton Trade to Forty-eight per Week.

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[Bill 56.]

County Auditors Bill.

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

Clauses.

1. Short title.
2. Extent.
3. Appointment of county auditors.
4. Provision as to payment of county auditors by Treasury.
5. Stamp duties under Inland Revenue.
6. Date of commencement of audit.
7. Power of county auditor to require production of books, &c.
8. Interim report of county auditor and proceedings thereon.
9. Notice of time and place of final audit.
10. Abstract of accounts to be open to inspection.
11. Power of ratepayer to attend final audit.
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14. Power of Local Government Board to make rules.
15. Recovery of penalties.
16. Definitions.
17. Repeal.

SCHEDULE.

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B I L L.

TO

Amend the Law relating to the Audit of County Accounts. A.D. 1894.

BE in enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 41. 54 & 55 Vict. c. 65.

1. This Act may be cited as the County Auditors Act, 1894, and shall be construed together with the Local Government Act, 1888, and section eighteen of the Lunacy Act, 1891.

Extent.

2. This Act shall not extend to Scotland or Ireland or to the administrative county of London.

Appointment of county auditors.

3.—(1.) The Local Government Board shall, from time to time, appoint such number of fit persons (in this Act referred to as county auditors) as they may, with the sanction of the Treasury, think necessary, for the exclusive purpose of auditing the accounts of county councils, and may from time to time remove such county auditors.

(2.) The Local Government Board may from time to time assign to county auditors the county or counties in which such county auditors respectively are to act.

Provision as to payment of county auditors by Treasury. See 42 & 43 Vict. c. 6. s. 3.

4. *The whole of the salaries or remuneration, and of the expenses of county auditors, to such amount as may be sanctioned by the Treasury, shall, in the first place, be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament; and for the purpose of meeting such expenditure there shall be charged on every county council a stamp duty for the use of Her Majesty, according to the scale contained in the schedule to this Act, and such duty shall be levied by a stamp on the certificate of the county auditor herein-after mentioned.*

Stamp duties under Inland Revenue. 42 & 43 Vict. c. 6. s. 6.

5. The duties charged under this Act shall be deemed to be stamp duties under the management of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, and all the Acts relating to stamp duties, particularly

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those relating to forgery, fraudulent dies, and other offences in connexion with stamp duties, shall apply accordingly; and such duties may, if the Commissioners so direct, be denoted by adhesive stamps, to be cancelled by the county auditor, as provided by this Act.

Date of commencement of audit.

6. The audit of the accounts of every county council for each local financial year shall, if required by the county council, as far as practicable, be commenced within *six months* of the beginning of such local financial year, and shall be resumed from time to time, and if not so required, shall be held at such times as may be arranged between the county council and the Local Government Board, and in every case shall be concluded by the county auditor within *three months* after the end of such local financial year.

Power of county auditor to require production of books, &c. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 70 (3). 38 & 39 Vict. c. 55. s. 247 (5).

7. For the purpose of any audit under this Act, every county auditor may, by a demand in writing, require the production before him of all books, deeds, contracts, accounts, vouchers, receipts, and other documents and papers which he may deem necessary, and may require any person holding the same or accountable therefor to appear before him at any such audit, or any adjournment thereof, and to make and sign a declaration as to the correctness of the same; and if such person neglects or refuses so to appear, or to produce any such books, deeds, contracts, accounts, vouchers, receipts, documents or papers, or to make or sign such declaration, he shall incur for every neglect or refusal a penalty not exceeding *forty shillings;* and if he falsely or corruptly makes or signs any such declaration, knowing the same to be untrue in any material particular, he shall be liable to the penalties inflicted on persons guilty of perjury.

Interim report of county auditor, and proceedings thereon. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 70 (5).

8.—(1.) If during the audit it appears to any county auditor that any payment is, in his opinion, contrary to law and ought to be disallowed, or that any sum, which in his opinion ought to have been, is not brought into account by any person, he shall, as soon as practicable, by an interim report under his hand, report thereon to the Local Government Board, setting forth the grounds of his opinion as aforesaid.

(2.) The Local Government Board shall cause a copy of such interim report to be sent to any person affected thereby, as well as to the finance committee of the county council, and such committee shall consider the same, and shall forward a copy of any resolution they may pass to the Local Government Board.

(3.) The Local Government Board, after due inquiry, and after considering such resolution (if any), shall decide all the questions

raised by such interim report, and shall, if it thinks fit, order the county council to rectify its accounts in accordance therewith; and in the case of any payment or appropriation of money not authorised by the county council, but in no other case, may surcharge the amount upon the person or persons by whom such unauthorised payment or appropriation has been made.

(4.) Provided that if any county council aggrieved desire to question any such decision or order of the Local Government Board, on the ground that it is erroneous in point of law, they may, with the consent of the Local Government Board, submit the question of law in dispute to the High Court of Justice in such summary manner as, subject to any rules of Court, may be directed by the Court; and the Court, after hearing such parties and taking such evidence (if any) as it thinks just, shall decide the question.

(5.) If the Local Government Board is of opinion that although a disallowance might be lawfully made, the subject-matter thereof was incurred under such circumstances as to make it fair and equitable that the disallowance should not be made, the Board may abstain from making the same. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 70 (6).

(6.) Every sum decided by the Local Government Board under this Act to be due from any person shall be paid by such person to the county council within *fourteen days* after such determination has been intimated to him, and if such sum is not so paid it shall be the duty of the county council to recover the same. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 70 (7). 38 & 39 Vict. c. 55. s. 247 (9).

(7.) The county council shall rectify its accounts in such manner as the Local Government Board or the High Court of Justice may by order direct.

9. Before the final completion of the audit, the clerk of the county council shall give at least *fourteen days'* notice of the time and place at which the completion of the audit will be finally made, by advertisement in some one or more of the local newspapers circulating in the county, and the production of the newspaper containing such notice shall be deemed to be sufficient proof of such notice in any proceeding whatsoever. Notice of time and place of final audit. See 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 70 (1). 38 & 39 Vict. c. 55. s. 247 (3).

10. An abstract in duplicate of the accounts duly made up and balanced and signed by such officer of the county council as the county council may direct, shall, together with all assessment books, account books, deeds, contracts, accounts, vouchers, and receipts mentioned or referred to in such accounts, be deposited in the office of such officer and be open between the hours of *eleven* forenoon and *three* afternoon to the inspection of all ratepayers within the county for seven clear days before the final audit, and Abstract of accounts to be open to inspection. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. s. 70 (2). 38 & 39 Vict. c. 55. s. 247 (4).

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all such persons shall be at liberty to take copies of or extracts from the same without any fee; and any such officer refusing to allow inspection thereof shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding *five pounds.*

Power of ratepayer to attend final audit.

11. Any ratepayer in the county may be present at the final audit, and may make any objection to the accounts or any item or items thereof, and the county auditor shall deal with any objection so made, and shall report his decision to the Local Government Board and the finance committee of the county council.

Financial statement, with stamped certificate of county auditor. See 42 & 43 Vict. c. 6. s. 3.

12. Before the final completion of the audit, the clerk, or such other officer of the county council as the county council may direct, shall prepare and submit to the county auditor a financial statement in duplicate in the prescribed form, and containing the prescribed particulars; one of such duplicates shall have the stamp charged under this Act affixed thereon; and the county auditor, at the final completion of the audit, shall cancel that stamp, and certify on each duplicate, in the prescribed form, the amount in words at length of the expenditure so audited and allowed, and further, that the regulations with respect to such statement have been duly complied with, and that he has ascertained by the audit the correctness of the statement, and he shall forthwith send the duplicate stamped and certified by him to the Local Government Board.

Final report of county auditor. See 38 & 39 Vict. c. 55. s. 247 (10).

13. Within *fourteen days* after the conclusion of the audit by the county auditor, such county auditor shall make a report on the accounts so audited, and shall deliver such report to the clerk of the county council, who shall cause the same to be deposited in his office, and he, or such other officer of the county council as the county council may direct, shall publish an abstract of such accounts in such form and manner as the county council may direct.

Provided that where any order of the Local Government Board, or the High Court of Justice, rectifying such accounts, is received subsequently to any such publication, the necessary particulars of such rectification shall be published in such form and manner as the county council may direct.

Power of Local Government Board to make rules. See 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. c. 69.

14. Subject to the provisions hereinbefore contained, the Local Government Board may make, and when made may revoke or vary, rules for the guidance of county auditors in the discharge of their duties.

Recovery of penalties.

15. All penalties inflicted and all sums determined to be due from any person under this Act may be recovered by the county

council in the same manner as penalties are by law recoverable under the Summary Jurisdiction Acts. A.D. 1894.

16. In this Act— Definitions.

The expression "county council" means the council of an administrative county established under the Local Government Act, 1888, and does not include the council of a county borough; and the expression "county" means the area under the jurisdiction of a county council.

The expression "prescribed" means prescribed from time to time by the Local Government Board.

17. Sub-section three of section seventy-one, and Schedule Two of the Local Government (England and Wales) Act, 1888, and section fifty of the County Rate Act, 1852, are hereby repealed. Repeal. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 41. 15 & 16 Vict. c. 81.

Provided that this repeal shall not affect the past operation of the enactments hereby repealed, nor anything duly done or suffered under such enactments.

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SCHEDULE.

Scale of Stamp Duties payable by County Councils.

Where the Total of the Expenditure comprised in the Financial Statement is	The Sum shall be
Under 10,000*l.*	5
10,000*l.* and under 20,000*l.*	
20,000*l.* and under 50,000*l.*	
50,000*l.* and under 100,000*l.*	
100,000*l.* and under 150,000*l.*	
150,000*l.* and under 200,000*l.*	10
200,000*l.* and upwards	

County Auditors.

A

B I L L

To amend the Law relating to the Audit of County Accounts.

(*Prepared and brought in by Sir John Dorington, Mr. Henry Hobhouse, Mr. Heneage, Mr. Humphreys-Owen, Mr. Herbert Lewis, Mr. Long, Mr. MacInnes, and Sir Richard Paget.*)

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[Bill 299.]

A

BILL

TO

Provide for the Establishment of a County Councils Association in Scotland, and to enable County Councils to contribute to the Expenses of the Association. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS it is proposed that an association of county councils of Scotland should be formed for the purpose of consultation as to their common interests, and the discussion of matters relating to Local Government :

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

Contributions from county fund.

1. The council of an administrative county may pay out of the county fund as general expenses incurred by them in the execution of their duties under the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, any sum not exceeding *thirty pounds*, in any one year as an annual or other subscription to the funds of the association as well as any reasonable expenses of the attendance of representatives, not exceeding in any case, four, at meetings of the Association.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the County Councils Association (Scotland) Expenses Act, 1894.

County Councils Association (Scotland) Expenses.

A

B I L L

To provide for the Establishment of a County Councils Association in Scotland, and to enable County Councils to contribute to the Expenses of the Association.

(*Prepared and brought in by Mr. Renshaw, Capt. Hope, Capt. Sinclair, Mr. Parker Smith, Sir John Kinloch, Mr. Maxwell, and Dr. Farquharson.*)

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[Bill 97.]

A

B I L L

TO

Enable Women to be elected and to act as County Councillors.

A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Women may be elected county councillors and aldermen.

1. It shall be lawful for women to be elected and to act as county councillors and aldermen in the same manner and on the same conditions as men.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Act, 1894.

[Bill 168.]

County Councillors (Qualification of Women).

A

B I L L

To enable Women to be elected and to act as County Councillors.

(*Prepared and brought in by Mr. Spicer, Mr. Courtney, Mr. W. S. M'Laren, Mr. Murray Macdonald, and Sir Stafford Northcote.*)

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[Bill 168.]

A

B I L L

TO

Repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Repeal of 50 & 51 Vict. c. 20.

1. The Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887 shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887, Repeal Act, 1894.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal.

A

B I L L

To repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, 1887.

(*Prepared and brought in by Col. Nolan, Mr. John Redmond, Mr. Harrington, Dr. Kenny, Mr. Hayden, Mr. Clancy, Mr. William Field, Mr. Maguire, and Mr. William Redmond.*)

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[Bill 8.]

A

B I L L

TO

Include Leaseholders under the provisions of the Crofters Acts. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

Crofter to include small leaseholder.

1. The expression "crofter" in the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts shall, from and after the *passing of this Act*, apply to and include any person who, at the passing of this Act, is tenant, under a lease for a term of years, or for a life or lives, of a holding, or who was a tenant under lease at the passing of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, situated in a crofting parish, and who resides on his holding, the annual rent of which does not exceed *thirty pounds* in money, and the successors of such person in the holding, being his heirs or legatees, provided that such person or his predecessor in the same family was tenant of such holding, either under the same or under a different lease, either for a term of years, or for a life or lives, or from year to year, at the passing of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1894, and the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts and this Act may be cited together as the Crofters Acts, 1886 to 1894.

Crofters Acts (Inclusion of Leaseholders).

A

B I L L

To include Leaseholders under the provisions of the Crofters Acts.

(*Prepared and brought in by Dr. Clark, Mr. Weir, and Dr. MacGregor.*)

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[Bill 358.]

A

B I L L

TO

Amend the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :—

Crofter to include small leaseholder.

1. The expression "crofter" in the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, apply to and include any person who, at the passing of this Act, is tenant, under a lease for a term of years, or for a life or lives, of a holding situated in a crofting parish, and who resides on his holding, the annual rent of which does not exceed *thirty pounds* in money, and the successors of such person in the holding, being his heirs or legatees, provided that such person or his predecessor in the same family was tenant of such holding, either under the same or under a different lease, either for a term of years, or for a life or lives, or from year to year, at the passing of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886.

What residence by crofter required.

2. In order to satisfy the requirement of the thirty-fourth section of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, and of this Act, that a crofter shall reside on his holding, it shall not be essential that he shall have an actual residence on his holding, provided that he resides in a crofter township within the crofting parish in which such holding is situated, and that he is himself in the bonâ fide occupation of such holding.

Jurisdiction of Crofters Commission.

3. All questions arising under any application to the Crofters Commission as to whether a person is a crofter within the meaning of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts, and this Act, shall be determined by the Crofters Commission, and their determination shall be final.

Definition.

4. The expression "the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts" means the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts, 1886 and 1887, the

A.D. 1894.

Crofters Commission (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1888, and the Crofters Common Grazings Regulation Act, 1891.

Short title.

5. This Act may be cited as the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Amendment Act, 1894, and the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts, and this Act may be cited together as the Crofters Acts, 1886 to 1894.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland).

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B I L L

To amend the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts.

(*Prepared and brought in by Sir George Trevelyan, The Lord Advocate, and Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland.*)

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[Bill 294.]

A

B I L L

TO

Amend the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Definition of crofter.

1.—(1.) In this Act "crofter" means any person who at the *passing of this Act* is tenant of a holding, who resides on his holding, the annual rent of which does not exceed *thirty pounds* in money, and which is situated in a crofting parish, and the successors of such person in the holding, being his heirs and legatees.

(2.) This section shall be read in place of the first sub-section of the thirty-fourth section of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, and shall have the same effect as though it were enacted in the said Act.

Short title.

2. This Act may be cited as the Crofters (Scotland) Definition Act, 1894.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, Amendment.

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B I L L

To amend the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886.

(*Prepared and brought in by Dr. Clark, Mr. Angus Sutherland, Mr. Weir, Dr. Macgregor, and Sir Donald Macfarlane.*)

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[Bill 103.]

A

B I L L

TO

Extend to the County of Bute the provisions of The Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, and any Acts amending the same. A.D. 1894

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Extension of Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, to county of Bute.

1. From and after the *passing of this Act* the nineteenth section of the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act shall be amended by the insertion of the word Bute between the word "Argyll" and the word "Inverness" in the said section.

Short title

2. This Act may be cited for all purposes as the Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1894.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Acts Amendment (County of Bute).

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B I L L

To extend to the County of Bute the provisions of The Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1886, and any Acts amending the same.

(*Prepared and brought in by Sir Charles Cameron, Dr. Clark, Sir Leonard Lyell, Mr. Weir, Sir Donald Macfarlane, Mr. Beith, and Mr. Angus Sutherland.*)

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[Bill 142.]

Crown Lands Bill.

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

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14. Short title.

SCHEDULE.

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B I L L

TO

Amend the Law relating to the Management of the Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues of the Crown. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Investment of capital money.

1. The Commissioners of Woods may, with the consent, general or special, of the Treasury, cause any sums received or to be received in respect of the capital of the land revenues of the Crown to be invested in any one or more of the modes authorised by section one of the Trustee Act, 1893, and the provisions of the Crown Lands Act, 1829, and the Acts amending the same, shall apply to any investment so made as they apply to investments authorised by the Crown Lands Act, 1829.

56 & 57 Vict. c. 53.
10 G. 4. c. 50.

Extension of power to pay for improvements out of capital.
29 & 30 Vict. c. 62.
45 & 46 Vict. c. 38.

2. The power given to the Treasury by section one of the Crown Lands Act, 1866 (being a power to direct the costs of certain improvements to be charged to capital and repaid out of income), shall extend to any operation, work, matter, or thing being within the description of improvements contained in section twenty-five of the Settled Land Act, 1882, and effected or done after the *passing of this Act.*

Capitalization of moiety of income from mines.

3.—(1.) From and after the *thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four*, one moiety of the gross annual income of the land revenues of the Crown received by the Commissioners of Woods, and one moiety of the expenses of those Commissioners in respect of any substance obtained by mining, quarrying, or excavating, shall be carried to the account of the capital of the land revenue of the Crown, and the residue of

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the gross amount received and of the expenses in respect of the sources in this section mentioned shall be carried to the account of the income of such land revenue.

(2.) For the purposes aforesaid, the Commissioners of Woods shall keep a separate account, in such form as the Treasury direct, to be called the Mines Account, and this account shall include all receipts and outgoings in respect of the sources of revenue in this section mentioned, and shall show the respective amounts to be carried under this section to the capital and to the income of the land revenue of the Crown.

29 & 30 Vict. c. 62.

(3.) Section two of the Crown Lands Act, 1866, shall be repealed as from the date aforesaid.

Provision as to purchase of leasehold interests.

4.—(1.) If the Commissioners of Woods in exercise of the powers conferred by the Crown Lands Act, 1829, purchase any leasehold interest in any Crown land under their management, any purchase money paid therefor out of the capital money of the land revenues of the Crown shall be repaid out of the income of the land revenues of the Crown by such equal annual instalments as will replace the said capital money without interest within the period of *forty years* from the date when the purchase takes effect, or, within the unexpired period of the term for which the lease was granted, whichever period is shorter.

(2.) The Commissioners of Woods may also purchase any such leasehold interest in consideration wholly or partly of an annuity for a period not exceeding *forty years* or the unexpired term for which the lease was granted, whichever period is shorter, and any person having power to sell any such interest, may, unless expressly prohibited by the terms of any settlement, sell the same for such consideration as aforesaid.

Donations and sales for religious or educational purposes. 10 G. 4. c. 50. 5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 58.

5.—(1.) Section forty-five of the Crown Lands Act, 1829, and sections three, four, and five of the Crown Lands (Scotland) Act, 1835 (authorising the grant of lands for churches, chapels, and other purposes), are hereby repealed.

(2.) The Commissioners of Woods may, with the consent of the Treasury, make, out of the income of the land revenues of the Crown, donations of money for any religious or educational purposes connected with land under the management of the Commissioners, or for the purposes of a cemetery, and may, with the like consent, notwithstanding anything in section thirty-four of the Crown Lands Act, 1829, sell for any such purpose any land being part of any of the royal forests, parks, or chases, subject to this restriction that any land so sold in any particular instance must not either

exceed five acres in extent, or be of a capital value exceeding *one thousand pounds*. A.D. 1894.

New lease to operate as surrender of old lease.

6. Where any person, in whom property belonging to the Crown is vested under a lease, accepts a new lease of the property, either to begin presently or at any time during the continuance of the existing lease, the acceptance of the new lease shall, as from the commencement of the term of the new lease, but subject to anything to the contrary expressed in the new lease, operate as a surrender of the existing lease as to so much of the property demised thereby as is demised by the new lease, but without prejudice to any rights or liabilities existing at the date of the surrender.

Provision as to temporary vacancy in office of Commissioner of Woods.

7. It is hereby declared that a vacancy in the office of either of the Commissioners of Woods does not invalidate any order of the Treasury under section five of the Crown Lands Act, 1851, so far as the order relates to the other Commissioner, or prevent the Treasury from making an order under that section.

Provision as to deputy keeper of records.

8. Any certificate or other document required to be given or signed by the Keeper of the Land Revenue Records and Inrolments, may be given or signed by any person acting with the sanction of the Treasury as his deputy or assistant, whether the office of the said Keeper is vacant or not, and it shall not be necessary to prove the handwriting of the person so acting or his authority to act.

Settlement of disputed claims in Scotland. 16 & 17 Vict. c. 56.

9.—(1.) The provisions of section five of the Crown Lands Act, 1853, with respect to the settlement of disputed claims, shall extend to disputed claims in Scotland.

(2.) Any order mentioned in that section shall, if it relates to the hereditary possessions and land revenues of the Crown in Scotland, be binding and conclusive when recorded in the office of Her Majesty's Chancery for Scotland.

(3.) With respect to disputed claims in Scotland, that section shall have effect as if the Lord Advocate were substituted therein for Her Majesty's Attorney-General for England or Ireland.

Apportionment of rents in Ireland. 21 & 22 Vict. c. 72.

10. The power conferred by section sixty-eight of the Landed Estates Court (Ireland) Act, 1858, of apportioning any Crown rent, and of charging the whole of any such rent on any part of the land charged therewith in exoneration of the remainder of such land, shall extend to any quit rent or other perpetual rent payable to the Crown in respect of land in Ireland, and may be exercised whether the land liable to the payment of the rent is

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being sold by the High Court or not, and the order or instrument by which the rent is apportioned shall be recorded by the deposit of a duplicate thereof in the Public Record Office in Dublin.

Repeal of restrictions as to growth of timber in Alice Holt Forest, Bere Forest, and Parkhurst Forest.

11. So much of the Acts relating to Alice Holt Forest, Bere Forest, and Parkhurst Forest, as requires that the allotments set out and allotted to the Crown in severalty in those forests shall be devoted to the growth of timber, shall be repealed.

Power to transfer Sunk Island Fund to Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

12. Whereas there is now standing in the names of the Archbishop of York and of the Commissioners of Woods, in the books of the Bank of England a sum of eight thousand three hundred and thirty-three pounds six shillings and eightpence, two and three quarters per centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, which sum is under an Act of the session held in the eleventh year of King George the Fourth and the first year of King William the Fourth, chapter fifty-nine, to be by them held in trust to pay the dividends arising therefrom to the officiating minister for the time being of the parish church of Sunk Island in the east riding of the county of York, and it is expedient that this sum be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners who have signified their willingness to administer the trusts of the same: Be it therefore enacted—

(1.) The Commissioners of Woods may at any time after the passing of this Act, transfer the said sum of Bank Annuities to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, to be by them held and administered on and subject to the trusts on and subject to which that sum was held and administered immediately before the passing of this Act.

(2.) This section shall be sufficient authority for the Bank of England to cause the transfer to be made in their books on the written request of the Commissioners of Woods or any one of them.

(3.) The Ecclesiastical Commissioners may at their discretion from time to time vary the investment of the said fund, and may invest the same in any one or more of the modes authorised by section one of the Trustee Act, 1893.

Repeal.

13. The enactments described in the Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed to the extent mentioned in the third column of that Schedule.

Short title.

14. This Act may be cited as the Crown Lands Act, 1894, and shall be read with the Crown Lands Acts, 1829 to 1885.

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ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

Session and Chapter.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
50 Geo. 3. c. ccxviii. -	An Act for disafforresting the Forest of South, otherwise East Bere, otherwise Bier, in the County of Southampton, and for enclosing the open commonable lands within the said Forest.	Preamble, the words "from its contiguity" to "His Majesty's Dockyard of Portsmouth" and the words "and if the present demesnes of the Crown and the allotment to the Crown as hereinafter mentioned were set apart for the growth and preservation of wood and timber. Section thirty four, from "and shall be made" to end of section. Section forty-eight, from "such lands" to end of section.
52 Geo. 3. c. 72. -	An Act for the better cultivation of Navy Timber in the Forest of Alice Holt, in the County of Southampton.	In section one, the words, "and shall be made and "reputed a nursery or "nurseries for timber "only." In section four, the words "to the end that the said "inclosures may be pre- "served in the Crown for "public use as aroresaid." Section seven.
52 Geo. 3. c. clxxi. -	An Act for disafforesting the Forest of Parkhurst, in the County of Southampton, and for enclosing the open commonable lands within the said Forest.	Preamble, from "from the Great" to "Portsmouth." Section thirty-six from "for the" to end of section. Section thirty-nine. In section forty the words "to the end that the said "inclosures may be pre- "served in the Crown for "public use as aforesaid." Section fifty-one from "such lands to end of section."
10 Geo. 4. c. 50. -	The Crown Lands Act, 1829 -	Section forty-five.
5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 58. -	The Crown Lands (Scotland) Act, 1835.	Sections three, four, and five.

Crown Lands.

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[Bill 4.]

Crown Lands Bill.

[AS AMENDED BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE.]

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

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3. Capitalization of moiety of income from mines.
4. Provision as to purchase of leasehold interests.
5. Donations and sales for religious or educational purposes.
6. New lease to operate as surrender of old lease.
7. Extension of 15 & 16 Vict. c. 62. s. 2. as to release from covenants.
8. Explanation of powers of Commissioners as to water rights.
9. Provision as to temporary vacancy in office of Commissioner of Woods.
10. Provision as to deputy keeper of records.
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B I L L

[AS AMENDED BY THE SELECT COMMITTEE]

TO

Amend the Law relating to the Management of the Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues of the Crown. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Investment of capital money.

1. The Commissioners of Woods may, with the consent, general or special, of the Treasury, cause any sums received or to be received in respect of the capital of the land revenues of the Crown, whether at the time in a state of investment or not, to be invested in any one or more of the modes authorised by section one of the Trustee Act, 1893, and may vary any such investment, and the provisions of the Crown Lands Act, 1829, and the Acts amending the same, shall apply to any such investment as they apply to investments authorised by the Crown Lands Act, 1829. 56 & 57 Vict. c. 53. 10 G. 4. c. 50.

Extension of power to pay for improvements out of capital. 29 & 30 Vict. c. 62. 45 & 46 Vict. c. 38.

2. The power given to the Treasury by section one of the Crown Lands Act, 1866 (being a power to direct the costs of certain improvements to be charged to capital and repaid out of income), shall extend to any operation, work, matter, or thing being within the description of improvements contained in section twenty-five of the Settled Land Act, 1882, and effected or done after the passing of this Act.

Capitalization of moiety of income from mines.

3.—(1.) From and after the thirty-first day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, one moiety of the gross annual income of the land revenues of the Crown received, and one moiety of the expenses incurred by the Commissioners of Woods, in respect of any substance obtained by mining, quarrying, or excavating, shall be carried to the account of the capital of the land revenue of the Crown, and the residue of

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the said gross annual income and expenses shall be carried to the account of the income of such land revenue.

(2.) For the purposes aforesaid, the Commissioners of Woods shall keep a separate account, in such form as the Treasury direct, to be called the Mines Account, and this account shall include all receipts and outgoings in respect of the sources of revenue in this section mentioned, and shall show the respective amounts to be carried under this section to the capital and to the income of the land revenue of the Crown.

29 & 30 Vict. c. 62.

(3.) Section two of the Crown Lands Act, 1866, shall be repealed as from the date aforesaid.

Provision as to purchase of leasehold interests.

4.—(1.) If the Commissioners of Woods in exercise of the powers conferred by the Crown Lands Act, 1829, purchase any leasehold interest in any Crown land under their management, any purchase money paid therefor out of the capital money of the land revenues of the Crown shall be repaid out of the income of the land revenues of the Crown by such equal annual instalments as will replace the said capital money without interest within the period of *forty years* from the date when the purchase takes effect, or, within the unexpired period of the term for which the lease was granted, whichever period is shorter.

(2.) The Commissioners of Woods may also purchase any such leasehold interest in consideration wholly or partly of an annuity for a period not exceeding forty years or the unexpired term for which the lease was granted, whichever period is shorter, and any person having power to sell any such interest, may, unless expressly prohibited by the terms of any settlement, sell the same for such consideration as aforesaid.

Donations and sales for religious or educational purposes. 10 G. 4. c. 50. 5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 58.

5.—(1.) Section forty-five of the Crown Lands Act, 1829, and sections three, four, and five of the Crown Lands (Scotland) Act, 1835 (authorising the grant of lands for churches, chapels, and other purposes), are hereby repealed.

(2.) The Commissioners of Woods may, with the consent of the Treasury, make, out of the income of the land revenues of the Crown, donations of money for any religious or educational purposes connected with land under the management of the Commissioners, or for the purposes of any hospital, infirmary, or cemetery.

New lease to operate as surrender of old lease.

6. Where any person, in whom property belonging to the Crown is vested under a lease, accepts a new lease of the property, either to begin presently or at any time during the continuance of the existing lease, the acceptance of the new lease shall, as from the commencement of the term of the new lease, but subject to

anything to the contrary expressed in the new lease, operate as a surrender of the existing lease as to so much of the property demised thereby as is demised by the new lease, but without prejudice to any rights or liabilities existing at the date of the surrender.

Extension of 15 & 16 Vict. c. 62, s. 2, as to release from covenants.

7. The power conferred by section two of the Crown Land Act, 1852, to release from any covenant, condition, or agreement, contained in a lease, shall extend to any covenant, condition, or agreement contained in a grant or other conveyance.

Explanation of powers of Commissioners as to water rights.

8. The Commissioners of Woods may, with the consent of the Treasury, release to or waive in favour of any grantee of land from the Commissioners, or any parish council, district council, council of a county borough, or other local authority or body having power by statute to supply water, any water right exerciseable by or reserved to the Crown.

Provision as to temporary vacancy in office of Commissioner of Woods.

9. It is hereby declared that a vacancy in the office of either of the Commissioners of Woods does not invalidate any order of the Treasury under section five of the Crown Lands Act, 1851, so far as the order relates to the other Commissioner, or prevent the Treasury from making an order under that section.

Provision as to deputy keeper of records.

10. Any certificate or other document required to be given or signed by the Keeper of the Land Revenue Records and Inrolments, may be given or signed by any person acting with the sanction of the Treasury as his deputy or assistant, whether the office of the said Keeper is vacant or not, and it shall not be necessary to prove the handwriting of the person so acting or his authority to act.

Settlement of disputed claims in Scotland. 16 & 17 Vict. c. 56.

11.—(1.) The provisions of section five of the Crown Lands Act, 1853, with respect to the settlement of disputed claims, shall extend to disputed claims in Scotland.

(2.) Any order mentioned in that section shall, if it relates to the hereditary possessions and land revenues of the Crown in Scotland, be binding and conclusive when recorded in the office of Her Majesty's Chancery for Scotland.

(3.) With respect to disputed claims in Scotland, that section shall have effect as if the Lord Advocate were substituted therein for Her Majesty's Attorney-General for England or Ireland.

Apportionment of rents in Ireland. 21 & 22 Vict. c. 72.

12. The power conferred by section sixty-eight of the Landed Estates Court (Ireland) Act, 1858, of apportioning any Crown rent, and of charging the whole of any such rent on any part of the land charged therewith in exoneration of the remainder of

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such land, shall extend to any quit rent or other perpetual rent payable to the Crown in respect of land in Ireland, and may be exercised whether the land liable to the payment of the rent is being sold by the High Court or not, and the order or instrument by which the rent is apportioned shall be recorded by the deposit of a duplicate thereof in the Public Record Office in Dublin.

Power to transfer Sunk Island Fund to Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

13. Whereas there is now standing in the names of the Archbishop of York and of the Commissioners of Woods, in the books of the Bank of England a sum of eight thousand three hundred and thirty-three pounds six shillings and eightpence, two and three quarters per centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, which sum is under an Act of the session held in the eleventh year of King George the Fourth and the first year of King William the Fourth, chapter fifty-nine, to be by them held in trust to pay the dividends arising therefrom to the officiating minister for the time being of the parish church of Sunk Island in the east riding of the county of York, and it is expedient that this sum be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners who have signified their willingness to administer the trusts of the same: Be it therefore enacted—

(1.) The Commissioners of Woods may at any time after the passing of this Act, transfer the said sum of Bank Annuities to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, to be by them held and administered on and subject to the trusts on and subject to which that sum was held and administered immediately before the passing of this Act.

(2.) This section shall be sufficient authority for the Bank of England to cause the transfer to be made in their books on the written request of the Commissioners of Woods or any one of them.

(3.) The Ecclesiastical Commissioners may at their discretion from time to time vary the investment of the said fund, and may invest the same in any one or more of the modes authorised by section one of the Trustee Act, 1893.

Repeal.

14. The enactments described in the Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed to the extent mentioned in the third column of that Schedule.

Short title.

15. This Act may be cited as the Crown Lands Act, 1894, and shall be read with the Crown Lands Acts, 1829 to 1885.

SCHEDULE.

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ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

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[Bill 343.]

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FOR THE

Reporting to and publication by Lloyd's of intelligence as to Derelict Vessels on the High Seas. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS it is expedient, for the purpose of assisting in the preservation of life and property, and in the interests of trade and navigation, that intelligence as to the existence of floating derelict vessels on the high seas should be collected and diffused as widely as possible, and it is considered that the society of Lloyd's, by reason of its system of agencies and signal stations established throughout the United Kingdom and in foreign parts, and of its powers and arrangements for the diffusion of intelligence possesses exceptional facilities for the collection and diffusion of such intelligence as is in this Act referred to:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Act, 1894.

Notice of derelict vessels to be given by masters to Lloyd's agents.

2. Every master or other person for the time being in command of any British ship, after the *passing of this Act*, who shall become aware of the existence on the high seas of any floating derelict vessel, shall notify the same to the Lloyd's agent at his next place of call or arrival, and shall, together with such notification, furnish to the Lloyd's agent all such information as he may possess as to the supposed locality or identity of such derelict vessel, and the date when and place where the same may have been observed by or reported to him, and the Lloyd's agent shall forthwith on receipt of such notification and information transmit the same to the secretary of Lloyd's in London.

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Letters to be sent to Lloyd's in default of agents.

3. If there shall be no Lloyd's agent at the next place of call or arrival, then and in such case the notification shall be made, and the information furnished by such master or other person as aforesaid by letter, the postage of which need not be prepaid to the secretary of Lloyd's, London.

Information to be published by Lloyd's.

4. Any information received by the society of Lloyd's as aforesaid, in pursuance of this Act, shall be published by the society forthwith in the same manner and to the same extent as its reports of shipping casualities, and the society shall also forthwith communicate such information to the Board of Trade.

Derelict Vessels (Reports).

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BILL

For the reporting to and publication by Lloyd's of intelligence as to Derelict Vessels on the High Seas.

(*Prepared and brought in by Mr. Macdona, Mr. Hozier, Sir Edward Harland, Mr. Wolff, Mr. Alban Gibbs, Mr. Round, Mr. Havelock Wilson, and Mr. Penn.*)

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[Bill 87.]

Diseases of Animals Bill,

[CHANGED FROM]

Contagious Diseases (Animals) Bill.

[AS AMENDED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF LORDS AND COMMONS]

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20. General provisions relative to slaughter and compensation.

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[Changed from]

Contagious Diseases (Animals).

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B I L L

[AS AMENDED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF LORDS AND COMMONS]

TO

Consolidate the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1893. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

Central and Local Authorities.

Powers of Board of Agriculture in England, Wales, and Scotland. 52 & 53 Vict. c. 30.

1. The powers and duties conferred and imposed by this Act on the Board of Agriculture as regards England and Wales and Scotland, shall be executed and discharged by the Board in manner provided by the Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, and this Act.

Local authorities to execute Act.

2. The local authorities in this Act described shall execute and enforce this Act and every order of the Board of Agriculture so far as the same are to be executed or enforced by local authorities.

Local authorities in England and Wales. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 41.

3.—(1.) The local authorities in England and Wales shall be—

(i) for each borough not being a borough to which section thirty-nine of the Local Government Act, 1888, applies, the borough council;

(ii) for the residue of each administrative county, the county council.

Provided that the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London, acting by the mayor, aldermen, and commons of that city in common council assembled, shall be the local authority for the city of London, and shall be the local authority in and for the county of London for the purpose of the provisions of this Act relating to foreign animals.

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Separation of Diseased Animals and Notice to Police.

Separation of diseased animals, and notice to constable.

4.—(1.) Every person having in his possession or under his charge an animal affected with disease shall—

(*a.*) as far as practicable keep that animal separate from animals not so affected; and

(*b.*) with all practicable speed give notice of the fact of the animal being so affected to a constable of the police force for the police area wherein the animal so affected is.

(2.) The constable to whom notice is given, shall forthwith give information thereof to such person or authority as the Board of Agriculture by general order direct.

(3.) The Board may make such orders as they think fit for prescribing and regulating the notice to be given to or by any person or authority in case of any particular disease or in case of the illness of an animal, and for supplementing or varying for those purposes any of the provisions of this section.

Cattle Plague.

Cattle plague infected place.

5.—(1.) Where it appears to an inspector that cattle plague exists, or has within ten days existed, in a cow-shed, field, or other place, he shall forthwith make and sign a declaration thereof.

(2.) He shall serve a notice, signed by him, of that declaration on the occupier of that cow-shed, field, or other place.

(3.) Thereupon that cowshed, field, or other place, with all lands and buildings contiguous thereto in the same occupation, shall become and be a place infected with cattle plague, subject to the determination and declaration of the Board of Agriculture.

(4.) The inspector shall serve a like notice, signed by him, unless in the circumstances this appears to him not to be expedient, on the occupiers of all lands and buildings, any part whereof lies, in his judgment, within one mile in any direction from that cow-shed, field, or other place, or on the occupiers of any of those lands and buildings.

(5.) Thereupon all the lands and buildings aforesaid, on the occupiers whereof the inspector serves such a notice, shall become and be part of the place infected with cattle plague, subject to the determination and declaration of the Board.

(6.) The inspector shall, with all practicable speed, inform the Board and the local authority of his declaration and notices, and shall send to the Board his declaration and a copy of his secondly-mentioned notice (if any).

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(7.) The Board shall forthwith on receipt of the information inquire into the correctness of the inspector's declaration.

(8.) If the Board are satisfied of the correctness of that declaration as regards the existence or past existence of cattle plague, they shall by order determine and declare accordingly, and prescribe the limits of the place infected with cattle plague.

(9.) If the Board are not satisfied of the correctness of the inspector's declaration as regards the existence or past existence of cattle plague, they shall by order determine and declare accordingly; and thereupon, as from the time specified in the order, the place comprised in the inspector's declaration and notices shall cease to be a place infected with cattle plague.

(10.) The Board may at any time, if they think fit, on any evidence satisfactory to them, by order—

(*a*) declare any cow-shed, field, or other place with or without any lands or buildings adjoining or near thereto, to be a place infected with cattle plague; or

(*b*) extend, contract, or otherwise alter the limits of a place infected with cattle plague; or

(*c*) declare a place infected with cattle plague or any part thereof to be free from cattle plague.

Cattle plague infected area.

6. The Board of Agriculture may at any time, if they think fit, by order—

(*a*) declare any area, wherein a place infected with cattle plague is situate, to be an area infected with cattle plague; or

(*b*) extend, contract, or otherwise alter the limits of an area infected with cattle plague; or

(*c*) declare an area infected with cattle plague or any part thereof to be free from cattle plague.

Slaughter by Board of Agriculture in cattle plague, and compensation out of public money.

7.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture shall cause to be slaughtered—

(i) all animals affected with cattle plague, and

(ii) all animals being or having been in the same shed, stable, herd or flock, or in contact with an animal affected with cattle plague.

(2.) The Board may, if they think fit, in any case cause to be slaughtered—

(i) any animals suspected of being affected with cattle plague, or being in a place infected with cattle plague,

(ii) any animals being in such parts of an area infected with cattle plague as are not comprised in a place infected with cattle plague (but in this last-mentioned case subject to such regulations as the Treasury think fit to make).

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(3.) The Board shall for animals slaughtered under this section pay compensation as follows, out of money provided by Parliament:—

(*a.*) Where the animal slaughtered was affected with cattle plague, the compensation shall be one half of its value immediately before it became so affected, but so that the compensation does not in any such case exceed twenty pounds; and

(*b.*) In every other case the compensation shall be the value of the animal immediately before it was slaughtered, but so that the compensation does not in any case exceed forty pounds.

Infected Places, Areas, and Circles for Diseases generally.

Pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease infected place.

8.—(1.) Where it appears to an inspector of a local authority that pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease exists, or has within the period herein-after mentioned existed, in a shed, field, or other place, he shall forthwith make and sign a declaration thereof. For the purposes of this sub-section the period shall be in the case of pleuro-pneumonia fifty-six days, and in the case of foot-and-mouth disease ten days.

(2.) The inspector shall serve a notice, signed by him, of the declaration on the occupier of that shed, field, or other place, and, in the case of foot-and-mouth disease, also on the occupier of any land or buildings contiguous thereto as he may consider necessary.

(3.) Thereupon that shed, field, or other place shall become and be a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, as the case may be, subject to the determination and declaration of the local authority.

(4.) The inspector shall, with all practicable speed, inform the local authority of his declaration and notice, and shall send his declaration and a copy of his notice to the local authority, and shall, with all practicable speed, inform the Board of Agriculture of his declaration and notice, and send a copy of the same to the Board.

(5.) The local authority shall forthwith on receipt of that information inquire into the correctness of the inspector's declaration, with the assistance and advice, in the case of pleuro-pneumonia, and if so required by order of the Board, in the case of foot-and-mouth disease, of a veterinary inspector, or of a person qualified according to this Act to be such.

(6.) If the local authority are satisfied of the correctness of the inspector's declaration as regards the existence or past existence of pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, they shall by order determine and declare accordingly, and prescribe the limits of the

place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, and may, if they think fit, include within those limits any lands or buildings adjoining or near to the shed, field, or other place to which the inspector's declaration relates.

(7.) The local authority may include in a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease any adjoining part of the district of another local authority, with the previous consent in writing of that authority, but not otherwise.

(8.) If the local authority are not satisfied of the correctness of the inspector's declaration as regards the existence or past existence of pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, they shall by order determine and declare accordingly; and thereupon, as from the time specified in that behalf in the order, the shed, field, or other place to which the inspector's declaration relates shall cease to be a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, as the case may be.

(9.) The local authority shall forthwith report to the Board the declaration of the inspector, and the proceedings of the local authority thereon, and shall state whether or not it is, in their opinion, expedient that an infected area, comprising the infected place, should be declared, and, if so, what should, in their opinion, be the limits of that area, and whether or not there is within that area any place used for the holding of a market, fair, exhibition, or sale of animals or any specified kind thereof, and, if so, whether or not it is, in their opinion, expedient that the holding in that area, while infected, of a market, fair, exhibition, or sale of animals, or such kind thereof, should be prohibited or restricted by order of the Board.

(10.) This section shall, notwithstanding anything therein contained, be construed and have effect subject to the subsequent section of this Act, whereby the Board are required to make, by order, provision respecting the case of animals found to be affected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease while exposed for sale or exhibited in a market, fair, sale-yard, or place of exhibition, and in other circumstances specified in the same section, and generally while being in a place not in the possession or occupation, or under the control, of the owner of the animals.

(11.) Where a local authority have declared a place to be infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, they may, if they think fit, having first obtained the assistance and advice of a veterinary inspector, or of a person qualified according to this Act

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to be such, at any time after the expiration of the period herein-after mentioned from the date of the cessation therein of pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, but not sooner, declare by order that place to be free from pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease. For the purposes of this sub-section the period shall be in the case of pleuro-pneumonia fifty-six days, and in the case of foot-and-mouth disease fourteen days or such longer period not exceeding twenty-eight days as the Board by general order prescribe.

(12.) The Board may at any time, if they think fit, on any evidence satisfactory to them, by order—

(*a*) declare any shed, field, or other place with or without any lands or buildings adjoining or near thereto, to be a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease;

(*b*) extend, contract, or otherwise alter the limits of any place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease declared either by the Board or a local authority; or

(*c*) declare any place which has been declared by the Board or a local authority to be a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, to be free from pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease as the case may be.

Pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease infected area.

9.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may at any time, if they think fit, on any evidence satisfactory to them by order—

(*a*) declare any area wherein a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease is situate to be an area infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease; and

(*b*) extend the limits of an area infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease; and

(*c*) when there is not within an area so declared, or within some particular portion thereof, any place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease, as the case may be, declare that area or that portion thereof to be free from pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease.

(2.) The Board on making any order declaring an area to be an area infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease shall consider whether it is necessary or expedient to prohibit the holding in that area, while infected, of any market, fair, exhibition, or sale of animals or any specified kind thereof, and shall either prohibit the holding thereof accordingly or allow the same to be held on such terms and conditions, if any, as they think fit to prescribe.

General provisions as to infected places and areas.

10.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may make such orders as they think fit, subject and according to the provisions of

this Act, for prescribing the cases in which places and areas are to be declared to be infected with a disease other than cattle plague, pleuro-pneumonia, or foot-and-mouth disease, and the authority mode, and conditions by, in, and on which declarations in that behalf are to be made, and the effect and consequences thereof, and the duration and discontinuance thereof, and other matters connected therewith.

(2.) Every place or area so declared infected, as well as a place or area declared infected with cattle plague, pleuro-pneumonia, or foot-and-mouth disease, shall be an infected place or area for the purposes of this Act.

(3.) Notwithstanding anything in this Act, where the Board, on inquiry, and after communication with the local authority, but without prejudice to the powers of the Board as regards cattle plague, are satisfied that a declaration of a place being an infected place has been made in error respecting the existence or past existence of disease, or respecting the limits of a place, or respecting any other matter of fact whereon the declaration proceeded, the Board may by order cancel the declaration as regards the infected place, or as regards any part thereof, as they think fit.

(4.) Where, in accordance with the provisions of this Act, a place or an area or a portion of an area is declared free from a disease, or a declaration of a place being an infected place is cancelled as regards the place or as regards any part thereof, then, from the time specified in that behalf by the Board or a local authority, as the case may be, the place, or area or that portion of the area or that part of the place, shall cease to be, or to be in, an infected place or area.

(5.) An order of the Board or of a local authority declaring a place to be an infected place or area, or declaring a place or area, or a portion of an area, to be free from disease, or cancelling a declaration, shall be conclusive evidence to all intents of the existence or past existence or cessation of the disease, or of the error, and of any other matter whereon the order proceeds.

Movement into, within, or out of infected places and areas in case of pleuro-pneumonia and foot-and-mouth disease.

11.—(1.) Cattle shall not be moved into, within, or out of a place or area infected with pleuro-pneumonia otherwise than in accordance with the conditions contained in Part I. of the First Schedule to this Act.

(2.) Animals shall not be moved into, within, or out of a place or area infected with foot-and-mouth disease otherwise than in accordance with the conditions contained in Part II. of the First Schedule to this Act.

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Provisions as to infected circles.

12.—(1.) Where the Board of Agriculture by order declare that this section shall apply in the case of any disease, then, upon any place becoming, in pursuance of a declaration made and signed by an inspector of a local authority, a place infected with that disease, the whole space lying within a distance of half a mile from any part of the infected place shall become and be a circle infected with that disease: Provided that the Board may, if they think fit, limit the application of any such order to infected places in any particular district or districts.

(2.) Where, under or in pursuance of this Act, the place, in respect of which an infected circle has been constituted in pursuance of this section, ceases to be an infected place, the infected circle shall cease to exist.

(3.) The Board may make such orders as they think fit for giving public notice of the existence of, and for contracting, the limits of, and dissolving infected circles, and for prohibiting or regulating the movement of animals into, within, and out of infected circles, or for any of those purposes, or for authorising a local authority to make regulations for those purposes or any of them, subject to such conditions, if any, as the Board think fit to prescribe.

(4.) Where two or more circles infected with the same disease adjoin or overlap each other, the whole of the infected circles shall be deemed for the purpose of the movement of animals under any orders or regulations made in pursuance of this section to be one infected circle.

Power to exclude strangers by notice.

13. A person owning or having charge of any animals in a place or area declared infected with any disease may affix, at or near the entrance to a building or inclosure in which the animals are, a notice forbidding persons to enter therein without the permission mentioned in the notice; and thereupon it shall not be lawful for any person, not having by law a right of entry or way into, on, or over that building or inclosure, to enter or go into, on, or over the same without that permission.

Slaughter by Board of Agriculture in case of Pleuro-pneumonia, Foot-and-mouth Disease, or Swine-fever.

Slaughter by Board of Agriculture in pleuro-pneumonia, and compensation.

14.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture shall cause to be slaughtered all cattle affected with pleuro-pneumonia.

(2.) The Board may, if they think fit, in any case cause to be slaughtered:—

(*a*) any cattle suspected of being affected with pleuro-pneumonia; and

(*b*) any cattle which are or which have been in the same field, shed, or other place, or in the same herd or otherwise in contact with cattle affected with pleuro-pneumonia, or which appear to the Board to have been in any way exposed to the infection of pleuro-pneumonia.

(3.) The Board shall for cattle slaughtered under this section pay compensation as follows:—

(*a*) where the animal slaughtered was affected with pleuro-pneumonia, the compensation shall be three fourths of the value of the animal immediately before it became so affected, but so that the compensation do not in any such case exceed thirty pounds; and

(*b*) in every other case the compensation shall be the value of the animal immediately before it was slaughtered, but so that the compensation do not in any case exceed forty pounds.

(4.) Where the Board have decided that any head of cattle is to be slaughtered under this section, the Board shall, if the owner of such head of cattle by notice in writing so requires, cause the same to be slaughtered within twenty-one days after the receipt of the notice.

(5.) The costs of the execution of this section in Great Britain shall be paid by the Board out of the moneys standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain.

Slaughter by Board of Agriculture in foot-and-mouth disease, and compensation.

15.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may, if they think fit, in any case cause to be slaughtered—

(*a*.) Any animals affected with foot-and-mouth disease, or suspected of being so affected; and

(*b*.) Any animals which are or have been in the same field, shed, or other place, or in the same herd or flock, or otherwise in contact with animals affected with foot-and-mouth disease, or which appear to the Board to have been in any way exposed to the infection of foot-and-mouth disease.

(2.) The Board shall for animals slaughtered under this section pay compensation as follows:—

(i.) Where the animal slaughtered was affected with foot-and-mouth disease the compensation shall be the value of the animal immediately before it became so affected:

(ii.) In every other case the compensation shall be the value of the animal immediately before it was slaughtered.

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(3.) The costs of the execution of this section in Great Britain shall be paid by the Board out of the moneys standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain.

Slaughter by Board of Agriculture in swine-fever and compensation.

16.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may, if they think fit, in any case cause to be slaughtered—

(*a.*) Any swine affected with swine-fever, or suspected of being so affected; and

(*b.*) Any swine which are or have been in the same field, pig-sty, shed, or other place, or in the same herd, or otherwise in contact with swine affected with swine-fever, or which appear to the Board to have been in any way exposed to the infection of swine-fever.

(2.) The Board shall for animals slaughtered under this section pay compensation as follows:—

(i.) Where the animal slaughtered was affected with swine-fever, the compensation shall be one-half of the value of the animal immediately before it became so affected:

(ii.) In every other case the compensation shall be the value of the animal immediately before it was slaughtered.

(3.) The costs of the execution of this section in Great Britain, including the costs of such measures under this Act as may seem to the Board necessary for preventing the spread of swine-fever, shall be paid by the Board out of the money standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain.

Additional officers, and expenses for purposes of slaughter.

17. The Board of Agriculture may, for the purposes of the execution of the sections of this Act relating to the slaughter by the Board of cattle, animals, or swine, on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine fever, employ such additional inspectors, valuers, and other persons, and at such remuneration and may incur such expenses as, subject to the sanction of the Treasury, the Board think necessary; and all costs and expenses incurred under this section shall be paid by the Board out of the money standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain.

Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain.

18.—(1.) The account opened at the Bank of England under the provisions of section two of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Pleuro-pneumonia Act, 1890 (and therein and in this Act referred to as the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain), is hereby continued, and there shall be paid to the said account—

(*a.*) such moneys (not exceeding one hundred and forty thousand pounds in any one year) as may be provided by Parliament towards defraying the costs incurred by the Board of Agricul-

ture in the execution in Great Britain of the provisions of this Act relating to the slaughter of cattle, animals, or swine, on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine-fever, and such other costs and expenses as are by this Act made payable out of the money standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain; and

(*b.*) all sums received by the Board on the sale of the carcases of cattle, animals, or swine slaughtered by the Board on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine-fever, after deducting any amounts payable thereout as excess to the owners of the cattle, animals, or swine, under this Act.

Provided that of the money provided by Parliament for the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Accounts for Great Britain and Ireland not more than fifty thousand pounds shall be so provided for the costs of the execution of this Act as respects swine-fever in any one year.

(2.) If in any financial year the money standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain is insufficient to defray the costs and expenses by this Act made payable out of the money standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain, the Local Government Board and the Secretary for Scotland shall out of the Local Taxation Account and the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account respectively, pay to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain in the proportions provided in the Second Schedule to this Act such additional sums as may be certified by the Board of Agriculture to be required for defraying those costs and expenses.

(3.) The regulations contained in the Second Schedule to this Act shall apply to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain.

Slaughter in Disease, and Compensation generally.

Power for Board of Agriculture to provide for slaughter in diseases other than cattle plague.

19. The Board of Agriculture may make such orders as they think fit subject and according to the provisions of this Act for directing or authorising, in case of the existence or suspected existence of any disease other than cattle plague and under such conditions as the Board think fit to prescribe, the slaughter of animals by local authorities, either generally or in particular instances, and in all or any of such cases the payment of compensation for the same by local authorities out of the local rate; and

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the Board may by such orders direct or authorise the slaughter both of animals actually affected with disease, and also of animals suspected of disease, or being or having been in the same field, shed, or other place, or in the same herd or flock, or otherwise in contact, with animals affected with disease, or being or having been otherwise exposed to the infection thereof.

General provisions relative to slaughter and compensation.

20.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may, notwithstanding anything in this Act, reserve for observation and treatment an animal liable to be slaughtered under this Act by order of the Board or of a local authority, but subject to payment of compensation by the Board or the local authority, as the case may be, as in case of actual slaughter.

(2.) Where an animal has been slaughtered under this Act by order of the Board or of a local authority, the carcase of the animal shall belong to the Board or to the local authority, as the case may be, and shall be buried, or sold, or otherwise disposed of by the Board or the local authority, or as they direct, as the condition of the animal or carcase and other circumstances may require or admit; and any money received by a local authority on any such sale shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

(3.) If, in any case, the sum received by the Board or a local authority on sale of a carcase under this section exceeds the amount paid for compensation to the owner of the animal slaughtered, the Board or the local authority, as the case may be, shall pay that excess to the owner, after deducting reasonable expenses.

(4.) Where an animal has been slaughtered under this Act by order of the Board or of a local authority, the Board or the local authority, as the case may be, may use for the burial of the carcase any ground in the possession or occupation of the owner of the animal and suitable in that behalf, or any common or uninclosed land, but, as regards the use by a local authority of common or uninclosed land, not without the approval of the Board.

(5.) If the owner of an animal slaughtered under this Act by order of the Board or of a local authority has an insurance on the animal, the amount of the compensation awarded to him under this Act may be deducted by the insurers from the amount of the money payable under the insurance before they make any payment in respect thereof.

(6.) A local authority shall keep in such manner as the Board by general order direct, a record relative to slaughter, which record shall be admitted in evidence.

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(7.) Notwithstanding anything in this Act, the Board or a local authority, as the case may be, may, if they think fit, withhold, either wholly or partially, compensation or other payment in respect of an animal slaughtered under this Act by their respective order, where the owner or the person having charge thereof has, in the judgment of the Board or the local authority, as the case may be, been guilty, in relation to the animal, of an offence against this Act, or where the animal, being a foreign animal, was, in their judgment, diseased at the time of its landing.

Exceptional Powers for Transit, and in other Cases.

Board of Agriculture to provide for pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease during transit, &c.

21.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture shall, by order, make such further or other provision as they think necessary or expedient respecting the case of animals found to be affected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease—

(i) while exposed for sale or exhibited in a market, fair, sale-yard, place of exhibition, or other place; or

(ii) while placed in a lair or other place before exposure for sale; or

(iii) while in transit or in course of being moved by land or by water; or

(iv) while in a foreign animals wharf or foreign animals quarantine station; or

(v) while being in a slaughter-house or place where animals are slaughtered or are kept with a view to slaughter; or

(vi) while being on common or uninclosed land; or

(vii) generally, while being in a place not in the possession or occupation or under the control of the owner of the animals.

(2.) The Board shall, by orders under this section, make such provision as they think fit for the consequences under this Act of animals being so found in the circumstances aforesaid, as well with regard to the animals as with regard to the places where they are when so found and other places, and with regard to animals being or having been in the same shed or stable, herd or flock, or in contact, with animals so found.

(3.) The Board may, by orders under this section relating to particular places, make such provision as they think fit for the consequences aforesaid.

(4.) Every order under this section shall have full effect notwithstanding any provision of this Act requiring the declaration of a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia or foot-and-mouth disease or

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relating to any consequence thereof, or to any matter connected herewith, and notwithstanding any other provision whatsoever of this Act.

Disease and Movement, generally.

Power for Board of Agriculture to make orders for prevention or checking of disease, and other purposes.

22. The Board of Agriculture may make such orders as they think fit, subject and according to the provisions of this Act, for the following purposes, or any of them:

(i) for prescribing and regulating the publication by placards, handbills, or otherwise, in the immediate neighbourhood of a place or area declared infected, of the fact of such declaration;

(ii) for prohibiting or regulating the movement of animals and persons into, within, or out of an infected place or area;

(iii) for prescribing and regulating the isolation or separation of animals being in an infected place or area;

(iv) for prohibiting or regulating the removal of carcases, fodder, litter, utensils, pens, hurdles, dung, or other things into, within, or out of an infected place or area;

(v) for prescribing and regulating the destruction, burial, disposal, or treatment of carcases, fodder, litter, utensils, pens, hurdles, dung, or other things, being in an infected place or area, or removed thereout;

(vi) for prescribing and regulating the cleansing and disinfection of infected places and areas, or parts thereof;

(vii) for prescribing and regulating the disinfection of the clothes of persons coming in contact with or employed about diseased or suspected animals, or being in an infected place, and the use of precautions against the spreading of disease by such persons;

(viii) for prohibiting or regulating the digging up of carcases which have been buried;

(ix) for prohibiting or regulating the exposure of diseased or suspected animals in markets or fairs or sale-yards, or other public or private places, where animals are commonly exposed for sale, and the placing thereof in lairs or other places adjacent to or connected with markets or fairs, or where animals are commonly placed before exposure for sale;

(x) for prohibiting or regulating the sending or carrying of diseased or suspected animals, or of dung or other thing likely to spread disease, or the causing the same to be sent or carried, on railways, canals, rivers, or inland navigations, or in coasting vessels, or otherwise;

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(xi) for prohibiting or regulating the carrying, leading, or driving of diseased or suspected animals, or the causing them to be carried, led, or driven on highways or thoroughfares, or elsewhere;

(xii) for prohibiting or regulating the placing or keeping of diseased or suspected animals on commons or uninclosed lands, or in fields or other places insufficiently fenced, or on the sides of highways;

(xiii) for prescribing and regulating the seizure, detention, and disposal of a diseased or suspected animal exposed, carried, kept, or otherwise dealt with in contravention of an order of the Board; and for prescribing and regulating the liability of the owner or consignor or consignee of such animal to the expenses connected with the seizure, detention, and disposal thereof;

(xiv) for prescribing the mode of ascertainment of the value of an animal slaughtered, or liable to be slaughtered, by order of the Board or of a local authority;

(xv) for regulating applications for, and the mode of payment of, compensation to be paid out of money provided by Parliament;

(xvi) for prescribing and regulating the destruction, burial, disposal, or treatment of carcases of animals slaughtered by order of the Board or of a local authority, or dying while diseased or suspected;

(xvii) for prohibiting or regulating the movement of animals, and the removal of carcases, fodder, litter, dung, and other things, and for prescribing and regulating the isolation of animals newly purchased;

(xviii) for prescribing and regulating the issue and production of licenses respecting movement and removal of animals and things;

(xix) for prohibiting or regulating the holding of markets, fairs, exhibitions, and sales of animals;

(xx) for prescribing and regulating the cleansing and disinfection of places used for the holding of markets, fairs, exhibitions, or sales of animals, or for lairage of animals, and yards, sheds, stables, and other places used for animals;

(xxi) for prescribing and regulating the cleansing and disinfection of vessels, vehicles, and pens and other places, used for the carrying of animals for hire or purposes connected therewith;

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(xxii) for prescribing modes of cleansing and disinfection;

(xxiii) for prohibiting the conveyance of animals by any specified vessel to or from any port in the United Kingdom for such time as the Board may consider expedient;

(xxiv) for insuring for animals carried by sea a proper supply of food and water and proper ventilation during the passage and on landing;

(xxv) for protecting them from unnecessary suffering during the passage and on landing;

(xxvi) for protecting animals from unnecessary suffering during inland transit;

(xxvii) for securing a proper supply of water and food to animals during any detention thereof;

(xxviii) for prescribing and regulating the marking of animals;

(xxix) for prohibiting, absolutely or conditionally, the use, for the carrying of animals or for any purpose connected therewith, of a vessel vehicle, or pen or other place in respect whereof, or of the use whereof, a penalty has been recovered from any person for an offence against this Act;

(xxx) for prescribing and regulating the muzzling of dogs, and the keeping of dogs under control;

(xxxi) for prescribing and regulating the seizure, detention, and disposal (including slaughter) of stray dogs and of dogs not muzzled, and of dogs not being kept under control, and the recovery from the owners of dogs of the expenses incurred in respect of their detention;

(xxxii) for prescribing and regulating the payment and recovery of expenses in respect of animals;

(xxxiii) for prescribing and regulating the form and mode of service or delivery of notices and other instruments;

(xxxiv) for authorising a local authority to make regulations for any of the purposes of this Act or of an order of the Board subject to such conditions, if any, as the Board, for the purpose of securing uniformity and the due execution of the provisions of this Act, think fit to prescribe;

(xxxv) for extending, for all or any of the purposes of this Act, the definition of disease in this Act, so that the same shall for those purposes, or any of them, comprise any disease of animals in addition to the diseases mentioned in this Act;

(xxxvi) for extending, for all or any of the purposes of this Act the definition of animals in this Act, so that the same shall for those purposes or any of them comprise any kind of four-footed beasts, in addition to the animals mentioned in this Act; and

(xxxvii) generally, for the better execution of this Act, or for the purpose of in any manner preventing the spreading of disease.

Provision of water and food at railway stations.

23.—(1.) Every railway company shall make a provision, to the satisfaction of the Board of Agriculture, of water and food, or either of them, at such stations as the Board, by general or specific description, direct, for animals carried, or about to be or having been carried, on the railway of the company.

(2.) The water and food so provided, or either of them, shall be supplied to any such animal by the company carrying it, on the request of the consignor or of any person in charge thereof.

(3.) As regards water, if, in the case of any animal, such a request is not made, so that the animal remains without a supply of water for twenty-four consecutive hours, the consignor and the person in charge of the animal shall each be guilty of an offence against this Act; and it shall lie on the person charged to prove such a request and the time within which the animal had a supply of water.

(4.) But the Board may, if they think fit, by order prescribe any other period, not less than twelve hours, instead of the period of twenty-four hours aforesaid, generally, or in respect of any particular kind of animals.

(5.) The company supplying water or food under this section may make in respect thereof such reasonable charges (if any) as the Board by order approve, in addition to such charges as they are for the time being authorised to make in respect of the carriage of animals. The amount of those additional charges accrued due in respect of any animal shall be a debt from the consignor and from the consignee thereof to the company, and shall be recoverable by the company from either of them, with costs, by proceedings in any court of competent jurisdiction. The company shall have a lien for the amount thereof on the animal in respect whereof the same accrued due, and on any other animal at any time consigned by or to the same consignor or consignee to be carried by the company.

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Foreign Animals.

Animals in the absence of any order to be slaughtered at port of landing.

24. The provisions set forth in Part I. (slaughter at port of landing) of the Third Schedule to this Act shall apply to all foreign animals other than—

(*a*) foreign animals the landing of which is for the time being prohibited by order of the Board of Agriculture;

(*b*) foreign animals the landing of which is allowed by order of the Board without being subject under the provisions of this Act to slaughter or quarantine; and

(*c*) foreign animals intended for exhibition or other exceptional purposes, and the landing of which is allowed for the time being by the Board subject to the provisions of Part II. (quarantine) of the Third Schedule to this Act.

Orders prohibiting importation of animals.

25. The Board of Agriculture may, whenever they deem it expedient so to do, for the purpose of preventing the introduction of disease into the United Kingdom, make orders for prohibiting the landing of animals or of any specified kind thereof, or of carcases, fodder, litter, dung, or other thing brought from any specified country out of the United Kingdom or any specified part of any such country, and they shall prohibit the landing of such animals whenever they are not satisfied with respect to any such country or any specified part thereof, that having regard to the sanitary condition of the animals therein or imported therefrom, to the laws made by such country for the regulation of the importation and exportation of animals, and for the prevention of the introduction or spreading of disease, and to the administration of such laws, the circumstances are such as to afford reasonable security against the importation therefrom of animals affected with foot-and-mouth disease.

Orders admitting animals free without being subject to slaughter.

26. In relation to foreign animals other than those the landing whereof is for the time being prohibited by order of the Board of Agriculture, and other than those brought from the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, if and so long as the Board are satisfied with respect to any country out of the United Kingdom or any specified part of such country that the laws thereof relating to the importation and exportation of animals, and to the prevention of the introduction or spreading of disease, and the general sanitary condition of animals therein, are such as to afford reasonable security against the importation therefrom of diseased animals, the Board, by order, shall allow animals, or any specified kind of

animals, brought from that country or such part to be landed without being subject to the provisions of the Third Schedule to this Act as to slaughter or quarantine, and may for that purpose alter or add to those provisions as the case may require.

Provided that the admission of such animals shall be subject to such regulations as to the route by which the animals are conveyed to this country, quarantine, or otherwise, as the Board of Agriculture may by order direct.

Orders admitting animals to quarantine.

27. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or in any order of the Board of Agriculture, the Board may make such orders as they think fit for allowing the landing of any foreign animals intended for exhibition, or for other exceptional purposes, and for allowing such animals to be landed without being subject to the provisions of Part I. (slaughter at port of landing) of the Third Schedule to this Act, and the provisions of Part II. (quarantine) of the said Schedule shall apply to any animals so allowed to be landed.

Special provisions as to Channel Islands and Isle of Man.

28. In relation to animals brought from the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, the Board of Agriculture may, if they think fit, by order or by licence, alter or add to the provisions of the Third Schedule to this Act relating to slaughter or to quarantine, as the case may require.

Orders to be laid before Parliament.

29. Every order made in pursuance of this Act in relation to the landing or conveyance of foreign animals shall be forthwith laid before both Houses of Parliament.

Regulation of ports.

30.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may make such orders as they think fit, subject and according to the provisions of this Act, for the following purposes, or any of them:

(i) for prescribing the ports at which alone foreign animals may be landed;

(ii) for defining the limits of ports for the purposes of this Act;

(iii) for defining parts of ports;

(iv) for prohibiting or regulating the movement of animals into, within, or out of a defined part of a port;

(v) for prescribing and regulating the inspection and examination, and the mode, time, and conditions of slaughter, of animals in a defined part of a port;

(vi) for prescribing and regulating the disposal of animals, not being foreign animals, and being in a defined part of a port;

(vii) for regulating the removal of carcases, fodder, litter, utensils, dung, or other things into, within, or out of a defined part of a

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port, and the disposal thereof, when likely to introduce or spread disease ;

(viii) for prescribing and regulating the cleansing and disinfection of a defined part of a port or of parts thereof;

(ix) for prescribing and regulating the disinfection or destruction of things being in a defined part of a port or removed thereout ;

(x) for regulating the movement of persons into, within, or out of a defined part of a port ;

(xi) for prescribing and regulating the disinfection of the clothes of persons employed or being in a defined part of a port, and the use of precautions against the introduction or spreading by them of disease;

(xii) for prescribing and regulating the seizure and detention of any foreign animal, carcase, fodder, litter, dung, or other thing whereby disease may be introduced or spread; and

(xiii) generally, for the better execution of this Act in relation to foreign animals, carcases, fodder, litter, dung, or other things, or for the purpose of in any manner preventing the introduction or spreading thereby of disease.

(2.) Notwithstanding anything in this Act, a defined part of a port, or any part thereof, shall not be declared to be an infected place, or be made part of an infected place, otherwise than by the Board.

(3.) Where the district or part of a district of a local authority under this Act is or comprises, or is comprised in, a port or part of a port, the Board may, if they think fit, in relation to that port or part of a port, by order, make any body, other than the body constituted the local authority by this Act for such district or part of a district, the local authority for the purposes of the provisions of this Act relating to foreign animals, and, in connexion with the local authority so made, prescribe the local rate, if any, and the clerk of the local authority.

General Provisions as to Local Authorities.

Committees of local authorities.

31.—(1.) The provisions in the Fourth Schedule to this Act shall have effect with respect to committees of local authorities, but nothing therein contained shall prejudice or affect the power of a county council to delegate their powers to any committee or body under section twenty-eight of the Local Government Act, 1888.

51 & 52 Vict. c. 41.

(2.) Provided that the Board of Agriculture, in any order made by them under this Act for authorising a local authority to make regulations may direct that the power to make such regulations for any purpose specified in that behalf in the order shall be exercised only by the local authority or their executive committee, and shall not be deputed to any other committee nor to a sub-committee.

Provision of wharves, stations, lairs, &c.

32.—(1.) A local authority may provide, erect, and fit up wharves, stations, lairs, sheds, and other places for the landing, reception, keeping, sale, slaughter, or disposal of foreign or other animals, carcases, fodder, litter, dung, and other things.

10 & 11 Vict. c. 14.

(2.) There shall be incorporated with this Act the Markets and Fairs Clauses Act, 1847, except sections six to nine and fifty-one to sixty thereof.

(3.) A wharf or other place provided by a local authority under this section shall be a market within that Act; and this Act shall be the special Act; and the prescribed limits shall be the limits of lands acquired or appropriated for purposes of this section; and byelaws shall be approved by the Board of Agriculture, which approval shall be sufficient without any other approval or allowance, notice of application for approval being given, and proposed byelaws being published before application, as required by the Markets and Fairs Clauses Act, 1847.

10 & 11 Vict. c. 14.

(4.) A local authority may charge for the use of a wharf or other place provided by them under this section such sums as may be imposed by byelaws, and the same shall be deemed tolls authorised by the special Act.

(5.) All sums so received by the local authority shall be carried to a separate account, and shall be applied in payment of interest on money borrowed by them under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869, the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1893, or this Act, and in repayment of the principal thereof, and, subject thereto, towards discharge of their expenses under this Act.

32 & 33 Vict. c. 70.

(6.) The local authority shall make such periodical returns to the Board of Agriculture of their expenditure and receipts in respect of the wharf or other place as the Board require.

(7.) The Board, if satisfied on inquiry that the tolls taken by the local authority for the wharf or other place may properly be reduced, regard being had to the expenditure and receipts of the local authority in respect thereof, and to any money secured on the tolls, and to the other circumstances of the case, may require the local authority to submit to the Board, for their

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approval, a new schedule of tolls, and on failure of the local authority to do so to the satisfaction of the Board, may, by order, prescribe such tolls as the Board think fit, in lieu of those before approved by the Board.

(8.) The provisions of this section shall apply to a wharf or other place provided by a local authority under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869, or under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1893.

32 & 33 Vict. c. 70.

Power for local authority to acquire land.

33.—(1.) A local authority may purchase, or may by agreement take on lease or at a rent, land for wharves or other places, or for use for burial of carcases, in cases where there is not any ground suitable in that behalf in the possession or occupation of the owner of the animal, or any common or uninclosed land suitable and approved by the Board of Agriculture in that behalf, or for any other purpose of this Act.

(2.) The local authority may (subject to any agreement) dispose of lands so acquired but not required for the purposes of this Act, carrying the money produced thereby to the credit of the local rate.

(3.) The regulations contained in section one hundred and seventy-six of the Public Health Act, 1875, shall be observed with respect to the purchase of land by a local authority for purposes of this Act, as if the local authority were a local board, and purposes of this Act were purposes of that Act; provided that the requisite advertisements and notices may be published and served in any two consecutive months, and that the local rate shall be substituted for the rates therein mentioned.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 55.

(4.) The powers conferred by this section may be exercised by a local authority with respect to land within or without their district.

Proceedings in case of default of local authorities.

34.—(1.) Where a local authority fail to execute or enforce any of the provisions of this Act, or of an order of the Board of Agriculture, the Board may by order empower a person therein named to execute and enforce those provisions, or to procure the execution and enforcement thereof.

(2.) The expenses incurred under any such order or in respect of any such default by or on behalf of the Board, including compensation for animals slaughtered, shall be expenses of the local authority, and the treasurer or other proper officer of the local authority shall pay the amount of such expenses to the Board on demand, and in default of payment a person appointed by the Board to sue in that behalf, may recover the amount of such expenses, with costs, from the local authority.

(3.) For the purposes of this section an order of the Board shall be conclusive in respect of any default, amount of expenses, or other matter therein stated or appearing.

(4.) The provisions of this section shall be without prejudice to the right or power of the Board, or any other authority or any person, to take any other proceedings for requiring a local authority to execute or enforce any of the provisions of this Act, or of an order of the Board.

Inspectors and other officers of local authority.

35.—(1.) Every local authority shall appoint so many inspectors and other officers as the local authority think necessary for the execution and enforcement of this Act, and shall assign to those inspectors and officers such duties, and salaries or allowances, and may delegate to any of them such authorities and discretion, as to the local authority seem fit, and may at any time revoke any appointment so made.

(2.) Every local authority shall keep appointed at all times at least one veterinary inspector, and shall appoint and at all times keep appointed so many other veterinary inspectors as the Board of Agriculture, having regard to the extent and circumstances of the district of the local authority, direct.

(3.) The Board, on being satisfied on inquiry that an inspector of a local authority is incompetent, or has been guilty of misconduct or neglect, may, if they think fit, direct his removal, and thereupon he shall cease to be an inspector.

Reports to Board of Agriculture.

36. Every local authority and their inspectors and officers shall send and give to the Board of Agriculture such notices, reports, returns, and information as the Board require.

Orders and regulations of local authorities.

37.—(1.) An order or regulation of a local authority may be proved—

(i) by the production of a newspaper purporting to contain the order or regulation as an advertisement; or

(ii) by the production of a copy of the order or regulation purporting to be certified by the clerk of the local authority as a true copy.

(2.) An order or regulation so proved shall be taken to have been duly made, unless and until the contrary is proved.

(3.) An order or regulation of a local authority authorised by this Act or by an order of the Board of Agriculture shall alone be deemed for the purposes of this Act an order or regulation of a local authority.

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Powers of local authorities to be for their district.

38. The provisions of this Act conferring powers on, or otherwise relating to, a local authority, or their inspectors or officers, shall, unless otherwise expressed, be read as having reference to the district of the local authority; and powers thereby conferred shall, unless it is otherwise expressed, be exerciseable and shall operate within and in relation to that district only.

Transfer of powers from one local authority to another, or formation of united district.

39.—(1.) Wherever the whole or any part of the district of any local authority, is wholly surrounded by or has a common boundary with the district of any other local authority, those two local authorities may by agreement in writing between themselves make and vary and rescind provisions for the exercise by one of them (in this section referred to as the administering authority) of powers under this Act or any order of the Board of Agriculture within the whole or any part of the district of the other (in this section referred to as the surrendering authority) and for ascertaining the proportion of the expenses of the administering authority to be paid by the surrendering authority, such proportion to be fixed with reference to the rateable value of the part of the district of the surrendering authority surrendered to the administering authority as compared with the rateable value of the original area of the district of the administering authority.

(2.) The district or part of a district subjected, in pursuance of an agreement under this section, to the powers of the administering authority, shall, for the purpose of the exercise of such powers, be deemed to be part of the district of the administering authority, and be dealt with accordingly.

(3.) Any expenses payable by a surrendering authority to an administering authority under this section shall be paid out of the local rate of the surrendering authority.

(4.) Provided that where the surrendering authority is the local authority for a borough and the administering authority is the local authority for a county to the rate of which such borough is assessed, the provision of this Act requiring that the local authority of the borough shall be paid by the local authority of the county the proportionate amount paid by the several parishes or parts of parishes in the borough shall not apply.

(5.) A local authority may by agreement in writing concur with any other local authority or authorities in appointing out of their respective bodies a joint committee consisting of such number of members with such tenure of office as they may determine, and in assigning to the joint committee a district consisting of the whole or such parts of the districts of the constituent authorities as

the authorities may determine, and in delegating to the joint committee within their district the whole or any part of the powers of a local authority, and the joint committee shall, in respect of any powers so assigned to them, exercise the same powers and be subject to the same obligations, and this Act and any order of the Board shall, in respect of the district so assigned, take effect, as if such district were the district of a local authority and the joint committee were a local authority within the meaning of this Act.

(6.) All expenses incurred by the joint committee shall be apportioned among the component areas belonging to the different constituent authorities in proportion to the rateable values of such areas, as compared with each other, and shall be paid out of the local rates of the constituent authorities.

(7.) An agreement made under this section shall not be valid unless it has been approved by the Board.

(8.) The expression "powers" in this section shall not include the power of making or levying a rate, but shall include all other powers, duties, and obligations exerciseable by or imposed on a local authority or its officers under or by this Act, or any order of the Board.

Expenses of Local Authorities.

Expenses out of local rate.

40.—(1.) The expenses of a local authority under this Act shall be defrayed out of the local rate; and such sums as may be necessary to defray those expenses shall be levied with and as part of the local rate.

(2.) The local rate in England and Wales shall be as follows:—

(i) in the case of the local authority for a county, the county rate with the county fund;

(ii) in the case of the local authority for the City of London, the consolidated rate; and

(iii) in the case of the local authority for a borough, the borough rate with the borough fund.

(3.) Provided that the payment of the expenses of the local authority for the county of London, under this Act, shall be a general county purpose for which the parishes in the City of London shall be liable to be assessed to county contributions.

Relief of boroughs from contribution to

41.—(1.) In England and Wales the council of a borough assessed to the county rate of a county shall be paid by the council of the county the proportionate amount paid by the several

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county expenses.

parishes and parts of parishes in the borough towards the expenses under this Act of the council of the county.

(2.) Nothing in this Act shall affect the exemption of any borough which had a separate court of quarter sessions at the date of the passing of the Local Government Act, 1888, from contributing towards the expenses under this Act of the council of the county within which the borough is situate.

51 & 52 Vict. c. 41.

Power for local authority to borrow.

42.—(1.) Where the amount or proportion of the local rate levied or required for the purposes of this Act exceeds or would exceed in any financial year sixpence in the pound, a local authority may borrow at interest on the credit of the local rate any money necessary for the purposes of this Act, and may secure the repayment thereof, with interest, by mortgaging the local rate for any term not exceeding seven years.

(2.) Where the amount or proportion aforesaid exceeds or would exceed in any financial year ninepence in the pound, the Local Government Board may, if they think fit, on application of the local authority, extend the term to any period not exceeding fourteen years.

(3.) A local authority, borrowing for the purposes of this section, shall borrow subject to the provisions of the Local Loans Act, 1875; and every loan raised under this section shall be discharged in manner prescribed by section thirteen of that Act, for which purpose a sinking fund is hereby prescribed, if in any case the Local Government Board so direct, but not otherwise.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 83.

(4.) The Public Works Loan Commissioners may, on the recommendation of the Local Government Board, advance money to a local authority in manner provided by the Public Works Loans (Money) Act, 1875, and any enactment amending or substituted for that Act, the same to be repaid, with interest, within the term aforesaid, and the local authority may so borrow accordingly.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 58.

(5.) A local authority, borrowing for any of the purposes of this Act, may, if they think fit, give as security, either with the local rate, if any, or separately therefrom, the charges which they are authorised to make for the use of a wharf or other place provided by them under this Act, and any estates, revenues, or funds belonging to them and not otherwise appropriated by law; and in that case the limitations in this section respecting the amount or proportion of rate and term of years shall not operate.

Police.

Duties and authorities of constables.

43.—(1.) The police force of each police area shall execute and enforce this Act and every order of the Board of Agriculture.

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(2.) Where a person is seen or found committing, or is reasonably suspected of being engaged in committing, an offence against this Act, a constable may, without warrant, stop and detain him; and, if his name and address are not known to the constable, and such person fails to give them to the satisfaction of the constable, the constable may, without warrant, apprehend him; and the constable may, whether so stopping or detaining or apprehending the person or not, stop, detain, and examine any animal, vehicle, boat, or thing to which the offence or suspected offence relates, and require the same to be forthwith taken back to or into any place or district wherefrom or whereout it was unlawfully removed, and execute and enforce that requisition.

(3.) If any person obstructs or impedes or assists to obstruct or impede a constable or other officer in the execution of this Act or of an order of the Board or of a regulation of a local authority, the constable or officer may without warrant apprehend the offender.

(4.) A person apprehended under this section shall be taken with all practicable speed before a justice, and shall not be detained without a warrant longer than is necessary for that purpose; and all enactments relating to the release of persons on recognizances taken by an officer of police or a constable shall apply in the case of a person apprehended under this section.

(5.) The foregoing provisions of this section respecting a constable extend and apply to any person called by a constable to his assistance.

(6.) A constable shall forthwith make a report in writing to his superior officer of every case in which he stops any person, animal, vehicle, boat, or thing under this section, and of his proceedings consequent thereon.

(7.) Nothing in this section shall take away or abridge any power or authority that a constable would have had if this section had not been enacted.

General Administrative Provisions.

General powers of inspectors.

44.—(1.) An inspector shall have, for the purposes of this Act, all the powers which a constable has, under this Act or otherwise in the place where the inspector is acting.

(2.) An inspector may at any time enter any land or shed to which this Act applies, or other building or place wherein he has reasonable grounds for supposing—

(*a*) that disease exists or has within fifty-six days existed; or

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(*b*) that the carcase of a diseased or suspected animal is or has been kept, or has been buried, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of; or

(*c*) that there is to be found any pen, place, vehicle, or thing in respect whereof any person has on any occasion failed to comply with the provisions of this Act, or of an order of the Board of Agriculture, or of a regulation of a local authority; or

(*d*) that this Act or an order of the Board or a regulation of a local authority has not been or is not being complied with.

(3.) An inspector may at any time enter any pen, vehicle, vessel, or boat in which or in respect whereof he has reasonable grounds for supposing that this Act or an order of the Board or a regulation of a local authority has not been or is not being complied with.

(4.) An inspector entering, as herein-before by this section authorised, shall, if required by the owner, or occupier, or person in charge of the land, building, place, pen, vehicle, vessel, or boat, state in writing his reasons for entering.

(5.) A certificate of a veterinary inspector to the effect that an animal is or was affected with a disease specified in the certificate shall for the purposes of this Act be conclusive evidence in all courts of justice of the matter certified.

(6.) An inspector of the Board shall have all the powers of an inspector throughout England or that part thereof for which he is appointed, and in addition to the powers herein-before conferred upon inspectors, an inspector of the Board may at any time, for the purpose of ascertaining whether pleuro-pneumonia foot-and-mouth disease or swine-fever exists or has within fifty-six days existed in any shed, land, or other place, enter such shed, land, or place.

Power for detention of vessels.

45.—(1.) Where an inspector of the Board of Agriculture is satisfied that this Act or an order of the Board or a regulation of a local authority has not been or is not being complied with on board a vessel in a port, then, on the representation in writing to that effect of the inspector, stating particulars of non-compliance, the vessel may be detained until the Board otherwise direct.

(2.) The officer detaining the vessel shall forthwith deliver to the master or person in charge of the vessel a copy of the representation.

(3.) Section thirty-four of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1876, shall apply in the case of such detention as if it were authorised or ordered under an Act in that section mentioned. 39 & 40 Vict. c. 80.

Expenses of burial of carcases washed ashore.

46.—(1.) Where a carcase washed ashore is buried or destroyed under the direction of a receiver of wreck with authority from the Board of Trade, the expenses thereof shall be expenses of the local authority, and shall be paid by the local authority to the receiver on demand, and in default of payment shall be recoverable with costs by the receiver from the local authority.

(2.) Where a local authority has incurred any expenses under this section on account of the burial or destruction of the carcase of any animal which, or the carcase of which, was thrown or washed from any vessel, the owner of the vessel shall be liable to repay such expenses to the local authority; and the local authority may recover such expenses with costs in the same manner as salvage is recoverable.

Exemption from stamp duty and fees.

47. No stamp duty shall be payable on, and no fee or other charge shall be demanded or made for, any appointment, certificate, declaration, licence, or thing under this Act, or an order of the Board of Agriculture, or a regulation of a local authority, or for any inspection or other act precedent to the granting, making, or doing of a certificate, declaration, licence, or other thing.

Evidence and form and service of instruments.

48.—(1.) In any proceeding under this Act, no proof shall be required of the appointment or handwriting of an inspector or other officer of the Board of Agriculture or of the clerk or an inspector or other officer of a local authority.

(2.) Every notice under this Act or under any order or regulation made under this Act must be in writing.

(3.) Any notice or other instrument under this Act or under an order of the Board or a regulation of a local authority may be served on the person to be affected thereby, either by the delivery thereof to him personally, or by the leaving thereof for him at his last known place of abode or business, or by the sending thereof through the post in a letter addressed to him there.

(4.) A notice or other instrument to be served on the occupier of any building, land, or place may, except when sent by post, be addressed to him by the designation of the occupier of that building, land, or place, without naming or further describing him; and where it is to be served on the several occupiers of several buildings, lands, or places, may, except when sent by post, be addressed to them collectively by the designation of the occupiers of those

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several buildings, lands, or places, without further naming or describing them, but separate copies thereof being served on them severally.

Provisions respecting Orders of Board of Agriculture.

49.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may alter or revoke any order of the Board.

(2.) Every order of the Board shall have effect as if it had been enacted by this Act.

(3.) The Board shall in the case of every order made by them under this Act, publish in the London Gazette a notice that the order has been made, and of the place where copies of the order may be obtained.

(4.) Every local authority shall at their own expense publish every order of the Board, and every licence, or other instrument sent to them by the Board for publication, in such manner as the Board direct, and, subject to and in the absence of any direction, by advertisement in a newspaper circulating in the district of the local authority.

(5.) The validity or effect of an order of the Board, licence, or other instrument issued by the Board shall not be affected by want of or defect or irregularity in any publication thereof.

Yearly return to Parliament.

50. The Board of Agriculture shall make and lay before both Houses of Parliament not later than the thirty-first day of March in each year, a return stating the proceedings and expenditure under this Act of the Board, and, as far as reasonably may be, of all local authorities, in the year ending the thirty-first day of December then last; and showing the number of foreign animals landed and found diseased in that year, specifying separately the different kinds of disease, and the ports of exportation and landing, and the mode of disposal of the animals; and containing such other information respecting the operation of this Act as the Board think fit.

Offences and Legal Proceedings.

Penalties for offences.

51. If any person is guilty of an offence against this Act, he shall for every such offence be liable—

(i) to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds; or

(ii) if the offence is committed with respect to more than four animals, to a fine not exceeding five pounds for each animal; or

(iii) where the offence is committed in relation to carcases, fodder, litter, dung, or other thing (exclusive of animals), to a

fine not exceeding ten pounds in respect of every half ton in weight thereof after one half ton, in addition to the first fine of not exceeding twenty pounds. A.D. 1894.

General offences.

52. If any person, without lawful authority or excuse, proof whereof shall lie on him, does any of the following things, he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act:

(i) if he does anything in contravention of this Act, or of an order of the Board of Agriculture, or of a regulation of a local authority; or

(ii) if, where required by this Act or by an order of the Board to keep an animal separate as far as practicable, or to give notice of disease with all practicable speed, he fails to do so; or

(iii) if he fails to give, produce, observe, or do any notice, licence, rule, or thing which by this Act, or by an order of the Board, or by a regulation of a local authority, he is required to give, produce, observe, or do; or

(iv) if he does anything which by this Act or an order of the Board is made or declared to be not lawful; or

(v) if he does or omits anything, the doing or omission whereof is declared by this Act or by an order of the Board to be an offence by him against this Act; or

(vi) if he refuses to an inspector or other officer, acting in execution of this Act, or of an order of the Board, or of a regulation of a local authority, admission to any land, building, place, vessel, pen, vehicle, or boat which the inspector or officer is entitled to enter or examine, or obstructs or impedes him in so entering or examining, or otherwise in any respect obstructs or impedes an inspector or constable or other officer in the execution of his duty, or assists in any such obstructing or impeding; or

(vii) if he throws or places, or causes or suffers to be thrown or placed, into or in any river, stream, canal, navigation, or other water, or into or in the sea within three miles of the shore, the carcase of an animal which has died of disease, or been slaughtered as diseased or suspected;

and on a further conviction within a period of twelve months for a second or subsequent offence against the same sub-section of this section, he shall be liable, in the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding one month, with

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or without hard labour, in lieu of the fine to which he is liable under this Act.

Imprisonment instead of fine for use of expired licences, digging up of carcases, and other specified offences.

53.—(1.) If any person does any of the following things, he shall be guilty of an offence against this Act:

(i) if, with intent to unlawfully evade this Act, or an order of the Board of Agriculture, or a regulation of a local authority, he does anything for which a licence is requisite under this Act, or an order of the Board, or a regulation of a local authority, without having obtained a licence: or

(ii) if, where a licence is requisite, having obtained a licence, he, with the like intent, does the thing licensed after the licence has expired: or

(iii) if he uses or offers or attempts to use as such a licence an instrument not being a complete licence, or an instrument untruly purporting or appearing to be a licence, unless he shows to the satisfaction of the court that he did not know of that incompleteness or untruth, and that he could not with reasonable diligence have obtained knowledge thereof: or

(iv) if, with intent to unlawfully evade this Act, or an order of the Board of Agriculture, or a regulation of a local authority, he alters, or falsely makes, or ante-dates, or counterfeits, or offers or utters, knowing the same to be altered, or falsely made, or ante-dated, or counterfeited, a licence, declaration, certificate, or instrument made or issued, or purporting to be made or issued, under or for any purpose of this Act, or of an order of the Board or of a regulation of a local authority: or

(v) if, for the purpose of obtaining a licence, certificate, or instrument, he makes a declaration or statement false in any material particular, unless he shows to the satisfaction of the court that he did not know of that falsity, and that he could not with reasonable diligence have obtained knowledge thereof: or

(vi) if he obtains or endeavours to obtain such a licence, certificate, or instrument by means of a false pretence, unless he shows to the satisfaction of the court that he did not know of that falsity, and that he could not with reasonable diligence have obtained knowledge thereof: or

(vii) if he grants or issues such a licence, certificate, or instrument, being false in any date or other material particular, unless he shows to the satisfaction of the court that he did not know of that falsity, and that he could not with reasonable diligence have obtained knowledge thereof, or if he grants or issues

such a licence, certificate, or instrument, having, and knowing that he has, no lawful authority to grant or issue the same: or

(viii) if, with intent to unlawfully evade or defeat this Act, or an order of the Board, or a regulation of a local authority, he grants or issues an instrument being in form a licence, certificate, or instrument made or issued under this Act or an order of the Board or a regulation of a local authority, for permitting or regulating the movement of a particular animal, or the doing of any other particular thing, but being issued in blank, that is to say, not being before the issue thereof so filled up as to specify any particular animal or thing: or

(ix) if he uses or offers or attempts to use for any purpose of this Act, or of an order of the Board, or of a regulation of a local authority, an instrument so issued in blank, unless he shows to the satisfaction of the court that he did not know of it having been so issued in blank, and that he could not with reasonable diligence have obtained knowledge thereof: or

(x) if he by means of any fraud or false pretence obtains, or attempts to obtain, compensation from the Board or a local authority in respect of an animal slaughtered, or aids or abets any person in any such fraud or false pretence: or

(xi) if, without lawful authority or excuse, proof whereof shall lie on him, he digs up, or causes to be dug up, a carcase buried under the direction of the Board or of a local authority or of a receiver of wreck: or

(xii) if, where the Board has by order prohibited, absolutely or conditionally, the use for the carrying of animals, or for any purpose connected therewith, of a vessel, vehicle, or pen, or other place, he, without lawful authority or excuse, proof whereof shall lie on him, does anything so prohibited;

(2.) And in every case in this section specified he shall be liable, on conviction, in the discretion of the court, to be imprisoned for any term not exceeding two months, with or without hard labour, in lieu of the fine to which he is liable under this Act.

Proceedings in court of summary jurisdiction.

54.—Any offence against this Act may be prosecuted, and any fine in respect thereof may be recovered, and any money by this Act or an order of the Board of Agriculture made recoverable summarily may be recovered, and any summary orders under this Act or an order of the Board may be made in manner provided

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by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts; but nothing in this section shall apply to proceedings under the Customs Acts.

Appeal.

55. If any person thinks himself aggrieved by the dismissal of a complaint by, or by any determination or adjudication of, a court of summary jurisdiction under this Act, he may appeal therefrom to a court of quarter sessions.

Proceedings under Customs Acts for unlawful landing or shipping.

56.—(1.) If any person lands or ships or attempts to land or ship an animal or thing in contravention of this Act or of an order of the Board of Agriculture, he shall be liable, under and according to the Customs Acts, to the penalties imposed on persons importing or exporting or attempting to import or export goods the importation or exportation whereof is prohibited by or under the Customs Acts, without prejudice to any proceeding against him under this Act for an offence against this Act.

(2.) The animal or thing in respect whereof the offence is committed shall be forfeited under and according to the Customs Acts in like manner as goods the importation whereof is prohibited by or under the Customs Acts.

General provision as to procedure.

57.—(1.) Where the owner or person in charge of an animal is charged with an offence against this Act relative to disease or to any illness of the animal, he shall be presumed to have known of the existence of the disease or illness, unless and until he shows to the satisfaction of the court that he had not knowledge thereof, and could not with reasonable diligence have obtained that knowledge.

(2.) Where a person is charged with an offence against this Act in not having duly cleansed or disinfected any place, vessel, vehicle, or thing belonging to him or under his charge, and a presumption against him on the part of the prosecution is raised, it shall lie on him to prove the due cleansing and disinfection thereof.

(3.) A person charged with an offence against this Act may, if he thinks fit, tender himself to be examined on his own behalf, and thereupon he may give evidence in the same manner and with the like effect and consequences as any other witness.

(4.) Every offence against this Act shall be deemed to have been committed, and every cause of complaint or matter for summary proceeding under this Act or an order of the Board of Agriculture or regulation of a local authority shall be deemed to have arisen, either in any place where the same actually was committed or arose, or in any place where the person charged or complained of or

proceeded against happens to be at the time of the institution or commencement of the charge, complaint, or proceeding. A.D. 1894.

(5.) Notwithstanding anything in any Act relating to the metropolitan police or to municipal corporations or in any other Act, such part not exceeding one half of every fine or forfeiture recovered under this Act (except in proceedings under the Customs Acts) as the court before which it is recovered thinks fit, shall be paid to the person who proceeds for the same, and the residue thereof shall be applied as if this section had not been enacted.

Miscellaneous.

Local authority and local rate in Hove.

58. Notwithstanding anything in this Act the Hove Improvement Act Commissioners shall be the local authority for the Improvement Act District of Hove, and the local rate for that district shall be the rate applicable by the Commissioners to the maintenance of the police, and this Act shall apply to that district as if it were a borough and as if the said Commissioners were the council of the borough.

Interpretation and construction.

59.—(1.) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms have the meanings herein-after respectively assigned to them, that is to say:

the expression "cattle" means bulls, cows, oxen, heifers, and calves:

the expression "animals" means, except where it is otherwise expressed, cattle, sheep, and goats, and all other ruminating animals, and swine:

the expression "disease" means cattle plague (that is to say, rinderpest, or the disease commonly called cattle plague), contagious pleuro-pneumonia of cattle (in this Act called pleuro-pneumonia), foot-and-mouth disease, sheep-pox, sheep-scab, or swine-fever (that is to say, the disease known as typhoid fever of swine, soldier purples, red disease, hog cholera or swine-plague):

the expression "diseased" means affected with disease:

the expression "suspected" means suspected of being diseased:

the expression "carcase" means the carcase of an animal, and includes part of a carcase, and the meat, bones, hide, skin, hoofs, horns, offal, or other part of an animal, separately or otherwise, or any portion thereof:

the expression "fodder" means hay or other substance commonly used for food of animals:

the expression "litter" means straw or other substance commonly used for bedding or otherwise for or about animals:

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the expression "foreign," applied to animals and things, means brought to the United Kingdom from a country out of the United Kingdom:

the expression "inspector of the Board of Agriculture" or "inspector of a local authority" means a person appointed to be an inspector for purposes of this Act by the Privy Council or the Board of Agriculture, or by a local authority, as the case may be; and the expression "inspector," used alone, means such a person, by whichever authority appointed:

the expression "veterinary inspector" means an inspector being a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, or any veterinary practitioner qualified as approved by the Board of Agriculture:

the expressions "police area" and "police force" have the same meaning as in the Police Act, 1890:

53 & 54 Vict. c. 45.

the expression "district," when used with reference to a local authority, means the area for which the local authority exercises powers under this Act:

the expression "the Customs Acts" means the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, and any enactment amending or substituted for that Act:

the expression "justice" means justice of the peace:

the expression "railway company" includes a company or person working a railway under lease or otherwise:

the expression "Order of Council" means an Order of the Privy Council under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1875 to 1886:

the expression "order of the Board of Agriculture" means an order made by the Board of Agriculture under this Act or under any enactment by this Act repealed.

(2.) In the computation of time for purposes of this Act, a period reckoned by days from the happening of an event or the doing of an act or thing shall be deemed to be exclusive of the day on which the event happens or the act or thing is done.

Special Provisions as to Scotland.

Local authority and local rate in Scotland.

60. In the application of this Act to Scotland:

(1.) The local authority and the local rate shall respectively be—

(*a*) for each burgh not being a burgh to which section fourteen of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, applies, the magistrates and the town council, and the rate to be levied in manner provided by this Act; and

(*b.*) for the residue of each county, the county council and the consolidated rate of the county.

(2.) The expression "county" means a county as defined by the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889; 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50.

(3.) the expression "burgh" means a burgh which returns or contributes to return a member to Parliament.

(4.) the expressions "police area" and "police force" have the same meaning as in the Police (Scotland) Act, 1890; 53 & 54 Vict. c. 67.

(5.) "Value according to the valuation roll" shall be substituted for "rateable value";

(6.) With respect to the delegation of powers by a county council section seventy-three of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, shall be substituted for section twenty-eight of the Local Government Act, 1888; and 52 & 53 Vict. c. 50. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 41.

(7.) All deeds made or granted by a local authority under this Act shall in addition to being sealed be signed by two members of the local authority and by the clerk of the local authority.

Purchase of land in Scotland.

61. The provisions of this Act relating to the purchase of land shall have effect with respect to Scotland as if section ninety of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1867, were thereby applied, instead of section one hundred and seventy-six of the Public Health Act, 1875; and in the said section ninety the local authority and local rate under this Act shall be substituted for the local authority and the assessment therein mentioned. 30 & 31 Vict. c. 101. 38 & 39 Vict. c. 55.

Provisions as to borrowing by local authority in Scotland.

62. The provisions of this Act relating to borrowing by local authorities shall, as regards Scotland, be modified as follows:

(i) those provisions shall have reference to the amount only of the local rate, and not to the proportion thereof;

(ii) the Secretary for Scotland shall be substituted for the Local Government Board; and

(iii) borrowing by a local authority shall not be subject to the provisions of the Local Loans Act, 1875; and in lieu thereof, as regards borrowing by local authorities of counties the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, shall apply, and as regards borrowing by local authorities of burghs the provisions of the Commissioners Clauses Act, 1847, with respect to the mortgages to be executed by the Commissioners, shall be deemed to have been incorporated with this Act, the local authority being deemed to be the commissioners; and any mortgagee or assignee may enforce 38 & 39 Vict. c. 83. 10 & 11 Vict. c. 16.

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payment of his principal and interest by appointment of a judicial factor.

Powers and qualifications of inspectors in Scotland.

63.—(1.) An inspector of the Board of Agriculture shall have all the powers of an inspector throughout Scotland or that part thereof for which he is appointed.

(2.) Any person may be appointed and be a veterinary inspector in Scotland who holds the veterinary certificate of the Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland.

Legal proceedings in Scotland.

64. For the purposes of the application of this Act to Scotland—

(1) Any offence against this Act, may be prosecuted, and any fine in respect thereof may be recovered, and any money by this Act or an order of the Board of Agriculture made recoverable summarily may be recovered, and any summary order under this Act or an order of the Board may be made in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Acts;

(2) In the event of any person refusing or delaying to comply with the order of a local authority, the local authority may give information thereof to the procurator-fiscal of the county or burgh, who may apply to the sheriff for a warrant to carry such order into effect, and such warrant may be executed by the officers of court in common form;

(3) The section of this Act relating to appeals to quarter sessions shall not apply;

(4) Notwithstanding anything in this or any other Act, the part of every fine or forfeiture recovered under this Act, which is not in this Act directed to be paid to the person who sues or proceeds for the same, shall be paid as follows:

(*a*) to the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, on behalf of Her Majesty, when the court is the sheriff court:

(*b*) to the collector of the county, in aid of the county general assessment portion of the consolidated rates of the county, when the court is the justice of the peace court:

(*c*) to the treasurer of the burgh, in aid of the funds of the burgh, when the court is a burgh court: and

(*d*) to the treasurer of the board of police, or commissioners of police, in aid of the police funds, when the court is a police court;

(5) Nothing in this section shall apply to proceedings under the Customs Acts.

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Powers of Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council.

65. For the purposes of the execution of this Act in Ireland—

(1) the powers by this Act conferred on the Board of Agriculture shall be vested in the Lord Lieutenant acting by the advice of the Privy Council, in this Act referred to as the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council, and as regards the making of orders and doing of acts affecting only particular local authorities, persons, ports, towns, districts, places, areas, vessels, or things, and as regards the issuing and revocation of licences, and the appointment or removal of inspectors and other officers, may be exercised by the Lord Lieutenant, or by the Chief Secretary as a Privy Councillor;

(2) any act of the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council under this Act done otherwise than by Order in Council shall be sufficiently done and signified by an instrument signed by the Clerk of the Council: and every act done and signified by an instrument so signed shall be deemed to have been duly done by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council; and every such instrument shall be received in evidence in all courts and proceedings without proof of the authority or signature of the Clerk of the Council or other proof;

(3) any power under this Act vested in the Chief Secretary except as a Privy Councillor may, in his absence, be exercised by the Under Secretary for the time being to the Lord Lieutenant;

(4) an order of the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council under this Act is referred to therein as an Order in Council; and

(5) subject to the provisions of this and subsequent sections of this Act relating to Ireland, the provisions of this Act relating to the Board of Agriculture and to orders of the Board of Agriculture and to officers of the said Board shall apply to the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council, and to Orders in Council, and to orders of the Lord Lieutenant and to officers appointed by the Lord Lieutenant for the purposes of this Act.

Communication of Orders from and to Ireland.

66. In order to secure uniformity of action every Order in Council and every order of the Board of Agriculture made under this Act shall, with all practicable speed, be communicated to the Board of Agriculture, or to the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council, as the case may be.

Provision as to local authorities lands and borrowing in Ireland.

67.—(1.) The local authorities in Ireland shall be the boards of guardians of the several poor law unions, and the district of each local authority shall be the poor-law union.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 55. 41 & 42 Vict. c. 52.

(2.) The provisions of this Act relating to the purchase of land by local authorities shall, as regards Ireland, have effect as if instead of section one hundred and seventy-six of the Public Health Act, 1875, there were thereby applied section two hundred and three of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878; and as if the local authority were a rural sanitary authority, and purposes of this Act were purposes for which a rural sanitary authority may acquire land.

41 & 42 Vict. c. 52. 38 & 39 Vict. c. 83.

(3.) The provisions of this Act relating to borrowing by local authorities shall, as regards Ireland, have effect as if sections two hundred and thirty-seven to two hundred and forty-six of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, were thereby applied instead of the Local Loans Act, 1875, and as if the local authority were a rural sanitary authority, and purposes of this Act were purposes for which a rural sanitary authority may borrow, and as if the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland were substituted for the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

Provisions respecting officers of local authorities in Ireland.

68. The Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council may make such Orders in Council as to them seem fit,—

(i) for defining the numbers, qualifications, and powers of inspectors and valuers, and other officers of local authorities, and the terms and conditions of their appointment, and regulating their duties: and

(ii) for fixing the periods for which they are to be appointed, and their remuneration and allowances.

Qualifications and powers of inspectors in Ireland.

69.—(1.) The provisions of this Act requiring local authorities to keep appointed veterinary inspectors shall not extend to Ireland; and the powers and duties by this Act conferred and imposed on a veterinary inspector shall in Ireland be vested in and discharged by an inspector; but where a person appointed to be an inspector in Ireland has the qualification of a veterinary inspector under this Act, he may be styled a veterinary inspector.

(2.) The Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council may make such Orders in Council as to them seem fit for uniting two or more poor law unions into a district for the purposes of inspection, and for authorising or directing the local authorities of those unions to appoint and keep appointed a veterinary inspector for the united district, and for regulating the mode of appointing such inspector, and the amount of his remuneration, and the mode in which the several unions shall contribute thereto; or the Lord Lieutenant may, if he thinks fit, appoint a veterinary inspector for the united

district, on such terms and conditions with reference to contribution by the several unions towards the travelling expenses and allowances of the inspector as the Lord Lieutenant thinks fit. A.D. 1894.

(3.) An inspector appointed by the Lord Lieutenant shall have, throughout Ireland, or that part thereof for which he is appointed, all the powers by this Act conferred on a veterinary inspector of the Board of Agriculture.

(4.) In the application of this Act to Ireland the expression "inspector of the Board of Agriculture" shall mean a person appointed to be an inspector for the purposes of this Act by the Lord Lieutenant, and "inspector of a local authority" means an inspector appointed by a local authority or by local authorities under this section, and the expression "inspector" means such an inspector by whichever authority appointed.

Expenses of local authorities in Ireland.

70. The remuneration and allowances of an inspector or valuer of a local authority in Ireland, and all money payable as compensation for animals slaughtered by direction of the local authority, shall when due be paid by the treasurer of the union out of union funds.

General Cattle Diseases Fund for Ireland.

71.—(1.) The General Cattle Diseases Fund established by the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, shall continue for the purpose of the execution of this Act in Ireland, and any money at the commencement of this Act standing to the credit of the fund, not being money paid to the cattle pleuro-pneumonia account, shall, in the first instance, constitute the general account of the fund.

(2.) The Chief Secretary may, as and when he thinks fit, certify to the effect that a sum equivalent to a certain poundage on the net annual value of the property in all the poor law unions is required for the purposes of this Act.

(3.) Thereupon the Local Government Board for Ireland shall by order under their seal assess that sum on the several poor law unions in proportion to the net annual value of the property therein, and shall send copies of the order to the guardians and to the treasurer of each union.

(4.) Thereupon the treasurer of each poor law union shall out of union funds pay over the amount assessed on the union to the Bank of Ireland, to be placed to the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund. The guardians of each union shall debit the several electoral divisions with proportions of that sum, according to the net annual value of the property therein.

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(5.) No larger sum shall be levied under this Act at any one time than is equivalent to a poundage of one halfpenny in the pound on the net annual value of the property in all the poor law unions; nor shall any larger sum be levied under this Act in the whole than is equivalent, taken with any money before the commencement of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, carried to the Cattle Plague Account, and with any sums levied under that Act to a poundage of eightpence in the pound on the net annual value of the property in all the unions.

(6.) On receipt of a certificate of the Chief Secretary to the effect that any part of the sum standing to the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund is not required for purposes of that fund, the Local Government Board for Ireland shall by order under their seal assign the proportions returnable to the several poor law unions, according to the net annual value of the property therein; and the Bank of Ireland shall, on a direction to that effect from the Chief Secretary, remit the sum so assigned to the treasurers of the unions; and the guardians of each union shall, on receipt of that sum, credit the several electoral divisions with proportions of that sum according to the net annual value of the property therein.

(7.) The expression "net annual value of property" in this section means the net annual value of property rateable to the relief of the poor according to the valuation in force for the time being.

(8.) The expression "union funds" in this Act means any money in the hands of the treasurer of a poor law union to the credit of the guardians of the union, and if at any time the assets in the treasurer's hands are not sufficient for any purpose of this Act, then union funds shall be taken to include the moneys next received by the treasurer and placed to the credit of the guardians.

Application of General Cattle Diseases Fund.

72.—(1.) The treasurer of a poor law union on proof to the Chief Secretary of the payment by a local authority of any money for remuneration, expenses, allowances, or compensation, in accordance with this Act, shall be entitled to a certificate to that effect, and to an order by the Chief Secretary for payment from the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund of one half of the money so proved to have been paid, subject, in the case of compensation, to all proper deductions for money received by the local authority in respect of animals slaughtered; and the amount so ordered shall be paid accordingly to the treasurer for the union.

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(2.) If in any case it is proved to the Chief Secretary that an animal in respect whereof compensation was paid by the treasurer of a union was, within seven days immediately before its slaughter, brought into that union solely for the purpose of being shipped out of Ireland from a port in that union within those seven days, or of being sold at a fair to be held in that union within those seven days, and that neither the owner nor the person in charge thereof had been guilty, in relation to it, of any offence against this Act, then the Chief Secretary shall order payment to the treasurer in manner aforesaid of the whole of the money paid in compensation in respect of that animal.

(3.) If in any case it is proved to the Chief Secretary that an animal in respect whereof compensation has been paid by a local authority ought not to have been slaughtered, the Chief Secretary may, notwithstanding anything in this section, withhold his order for payment out of the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund of any money in respect of that animal.

(4.) All expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council in the execution of this Act, and not otherwise provided for by this Act, shall be defrayed out of the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund.

Expenses of Lord Lieutenant in case of slaughter for pleuro-pneumonia foot-and-mouth disease or swine-fever.

73. For the purpose of defraying the costs incurred by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council in the execution of the sections of this Act which relate to the slaughter of cattle, animals, or swine, on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine-fever, and the payment of compensation on account of such slaughter, the following provisions shall apply:—

(1.) There shall be paid to the General Cattle Diseases Fund—

(*a*) such moneys (not exceeding twenty thousand pounds in any one year) as may be provided by Parliament towards defraying the costs incurred by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council in the execution of the provisions of this Act relating to the slaughter of cattle, animals, or swine on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine-fever; and

(*b*) all sums received by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council on the sale of the carcases of cattle, animals, or swine, slaughtered by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth

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disease or swine-fever, after deducting any amount payable thereout as excess to the owners of the cattle, animals, or swine, under this Act;

and the amounts so paid shall be carried to the separate account, called the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account of the said Fund (which account is in this Act referred to as the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Ireland), and the moneys standing to the credit of the said account shall be applicable solely to the purposes of the sections of this Act relating to the slaughter by the Board of Agriculture of cattle, animals, or swine, on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine-fever, and the payment of compensation on account of such slaughter, and any expenses incurred in connection therewith;

(2.) Provided that of the money provided by Parliament for the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Accounts for Great Britain and Ireland not more than fifty thousand pounds shall be so provided for the costs of the execution of this Act as respects swine-fever in any one year.

(3.) The costs and expenses under this Act which in the case of Great Britain are by this Act made payable out of the money standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain shall in the case of Ireland be paid by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council out of the moneys standing to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Ireland, and, if those moneys are insufficient, shall be paid out of the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund;

(4.) The regulations contained in the Second Schedule to this Act shall apply to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Ireland.

Police in Ireland.

74. The provisions of this Act relating to the police and to constables shall apply to the members of the Royal Irish Constabulary Force and of the Dublin Metropolitan Police Force.

Recovery of penalties and summary proceedings in Ireland.

75. For the purposes of the application of this Act to Ireland—

(1) Any offence against this Act may be prosecuted, and any fine in respect thereof may be recovered, and any money by this Act or an Order in Council made recoverable summarily may be recovered, and any summary order under this Act or an Order in Council may be made, in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Acts.

(2) the provisions of the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Acts relative to appeals against orders and convictions shall apply to orders and convictions and to dismissals of complaints under this Act;

(3) a court of summary jurisdiction may consist of one or more justices; and

(4) fines recovered under this Act shall be applied as follows; that is to say, a part thereof not exceeding one third may be awarded to the informer, and the rest shall be awarded to the Crown, to be applied in aid of the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund.

Publication and proof of Orders in Council in Ireland.

76. In the application of this Act to Ireland;

(1.) The Dublin Gazette shall be substituted for the London Gazette;

(2.) A copy of the Dublin Gazette purporting to be printed by the Queen's authority shall be conclusive evidence in all courts and legal proceedings of the date, contents, due making, and publication of any order appearing therein and purporting to be an Order in Council;

(3.) An Order in Council may also be proved by the production of an instrument purporting to be certified to be a true copy thereof by the Clerk of the Privy Council, or the person for the time being acting as such; and that instrument shall be conclusive evidence in all courts and legal proceedings of the date, contents, due making, and publication of the order.

Expenses of Veterinary Department in Ireland.

77. The Lord Lieutenant, with the approval of the Treasury, may fix the salaries and allowances of the officers and persons acting in execution of this Act in or under the Veterinary Department of the Privy Council Office in Ireland; and the same, and all charges and expenses incurred in the maintenance and management of that department, shall be paid out of money provided by Parliament.

Supplemental.

Repeal of enactments in schedule.

78.—(1.) The Acts specified in the Fifth Schedule to this Act are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the third column to that schedule.

(2.) Notwithstanding such repeal, every Order of Council and in Council, and every order of the Board of Agriculture, or regulation of a local authority made, and every licence granted, and every

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committee or sub-committee constituted, and every inspector appointed, under any of the enactments repealed, shall continue and be as if this Act had not been passed; but so that the same may be revoked, altered, cancelled, or otherwise dealt with under this Act, as if it had been made, done, or granted under this Act.

Short title.

79. This Act may be cited as the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

SCHEDULES.

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THE FIRST SCHEDULE.

Part I.

Pleuro-Pneumonia.

1. Cattle shall not be moved into or out of a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia, except where, as regards movement into such a place, the cattle are affected with pleuro-pneumonia, and except in such other cases as the Board of Agriculture think fit by order to except.

2. In the cases so excepted by order cattle may be moved into or out of an infected place on conditions prescribed by order of the Board, and not otherwise.

3. Cattle may be moved into, within, or out of such parts of an area infected with pleuro-pneumonia as are not comprised in a place infected with pleuro-pneumonia, by licence of the local authority, granted on conditions prescribed by order of the Board, and not otherwise.

Part II.

Foot-and-Mouth Disease.

1. Animals shall not be moved into or out of a place infected with foot-and-mouth disease except where, as regards movement into such a place, the animals are affected with foot-and-mouth disease, and except in such other cases as the Board of Agriculture think fit by order to except.

2. In the cases so excepted by order animals may be moved into or out of an infected place on conditions prescribed by order of the Board, and not otherwise.

3. Animals may be moved into, within, or outof such parts of an area infected with foot-and-mouth disease as are not comprised in a place infected with foot-and-mouth disease, by licence of the local authority, granted on conditions prescribed by order of the Board, and not otherwise.

THE SECOND SCHEDULE.

Regulations as to Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Accounts.

1. Notwithstandiug anything in this Act the moneys provided by Parliament towards defraying the cost of the execution of the provisions of this Act relating to the slaughter by the Board of Agriculture or the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of cattle, animals, or swine, on account of pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, or swine-fever, may be apportioned between Great Britain and Ireland in such manner as the Treasury in communication with the Board and the Lord Lieutenant may direct.

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2. At the end of every financial year, accounts of the receipts and expenditure of the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain and the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Ireland shall be made up in such form and with such particulars as may be directed by the Treasury, and such accounts shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General as public accounts in accordance with such regulations as the Treasury may make, and shall be laid before Parliament, together with his report thereon.

3. If at the end of any financial year the Treasury, after communication with the Board of Agriculture, or the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council, as the case may be, are satisfied that the balance standing to the credit of either of the said Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Accounts, or any part of such balance, will not be required for the purposes of this Act, they may—

(*a*) in the case of the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Great Britain direct such balance or part to be paid in the proportions provided by this Schedule into the Local Taxation Account and the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account, in repayment of any sums which have been paid to the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account out of the said Local Taxation Accounts; and

(*b*) in the case of the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account for Ireland, direct such balance or part to be paid into the general account of the General Cattle Diseases Fund in repayment of any sums which have been paid out of the said general account for any of the purposes to which the Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Account is by this Act applicable;

and in either case the Treasury may direct any balance or part which may not be required for such repayment to be paid into the Exchequer.

4. The proportions in which any sum is to be paid out of or into the Local Taxation Account and the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account under this Act shall be eighty-eight per centum of such sum out of or into the Local Taxation Account, and twelve per centum out of or into the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account.

5. All money paid under this Act out of or into the Local Taxation Account shall in account be charged against or credited to the proceeds of the probate duty.

6. All moneys paid under this Act out of or into the Local Taxation (Scotland) Account shall in account be charged against or credited to the residue of the Scotch share of the local taxation (customs and excise) duties in manner provided by section two of the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Act, 1890.

53 & 54 Vict. c. 60.

7. Payments out of or into the said Cattle Pleuro-pneumonia Accounts, and all other matters relating to the accounts and to the moneys standing to the credit of the accounts shall be made and regulated in such manner as the Treasury direct.

THE THIRD SCHEDULE.

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Foreign Animals.

Part I.

Slaughter at Port of Landing.

1. The animals shall be landed only at a part of a port defined for that purpose by order of the Board of Agriculture, to be called a foreign animals wharf.

2. The animals shall be landed in such manner, at such times, and subject to such supervision and control as the Commissioners of Customs direct.

3. The animals shall not be moved alive out of the wharf.

Part II.

Quarantine.

1. The animals shall be landed only at a part of a port defined for that purpose by order of the Board of Agriculture, to be called a foreign animals quarantine station.

2. The animals shall be landed in such manner, at such times, and subject to such supervision and control as the Commissioners of Customs direct, and subject to such conditions in respect of the animals, or of the vessel from which they are landed, as the Board by order prescribe.

3. When landed the animals shall be placed in sheds or other receptacles in the quarantine station, prepared by the local authority or the owners of the quarantine station, or the consignees of animals, or other persons, and approved by the Board.

4. The animals shall not be moved out of the quarantine station except on conditions prescribed by order of the Board.

5. Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this part of this Schedule the provisions of this Act relating to slaughter in case of the existence of disease, and to compensation or other payment in respect of animals so slaughtered, and to the ownership of carcases of such animals, shall apply to animals within a foreign animals quarantine station.

THE FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Committees of Local Authorities.

1. Every local authority shall form and keep up a committee or committees, and may appoint the number of members by whom the powers of a committee may be exercised, and may at any time add to or diminish the number of the

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members of a committee, or otherwise alter the constitution thereof, and fill up or provide for the filling up of vacancies therein, or revoke the appointment thereof and appoint another committee or committees, and lay down rules for the guidance of a committee, who shall act accordingly.

2. A committee may consist wholly of members of the local authority or partly thereof, and partly of other persons, being rated occupiers in the district of the local authority, and otherwise qualified, as the local authority think fit.

3. A local authority may except in so far as it is otherwise provided by order of the Board of Agriculture delegate all or any of their powers, except the power to make a rate, to a committee, with or without conditions or restrictions.

4. A local authority may revoke or alter any power given by them to a committee.

5. A local authority may, if they think fit, appoint and designate one committee as their executive committee.

6. An executive committee shall have all the powers of the local authority, except the power to make a rate, and may, if they think fit, appoint a sub-committee or sub-committees, and delegate to them [except in so far as it is otherwise provided by order of the Board] all or any of the powers of the executive committee, with or without conditions or restrictions, and revoke or alter any such delegation, and appoint the number of members by whom the powers of a sub-committee may be exercised, and add to or diminish the number of the members of a sub-committee, or otherwise alter the constitution thereof, and fill up or provide for the filling up of vacancies therein, or revoke the appointment thereof and appoint another sub-committee or other sub-committees, and lay down rules for the guidance of a sub-committee who shall act accordingly.

7. Proceedings of a committee or sub-committee shall not be invalidated by any vacancy in the committee or sub-committee.

8. In case of the formation of two or more committees, they shall act according to rules laid down for their guidance by the local authority.

9. A committee, and a sub-committee of an executive committee, may elect a chairman of their meetings.

10. If no chairman is elected, or if the chairman so elected is not present at the time appointed for a meeting, the members then present shall choose a chairman for that meeting.

11. A committee or sub-committee may meet and adjourn as they think proper.

12. Every question at a meeting of a committee or sub-committee shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the members, including the chairman, present and voting on the question; and in case of equal division, the chairman shall have a second vote.

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THE FIFTH SCHEDULE.

ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

Session and Chapter.	Title or Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
41 & 42 Vict. c. 74. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878.	The whole Act, except section thirty-four.
47 & 48 Vict. c. 13. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1884.	The whole Act.
47 & 48 Vict. c. 47. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Transfer of Parts of Districts Act, 1884.	The whole Act.
49 & 50 Vict c. 32. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1886.	The whole Act, except section nine.
52 & 53 Vict. c. 30. -	The Board of Agriculture Act, 1889.	Section three.
53 & 54 Vict. c. 14. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) (Pleuro-pneumonia) Act, 1890.	The whole Act.
55 & 56 Vict. c. 47. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1892.	The whole Act.
56 & 57 Vict. c. 43. -	The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1893.	The whole Act.

Diseases of Animals,
[CHANGED FROM]
Contagious Diseases (Animals).

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[AS AMENDED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF LORDS AND COMMONS]

To consolidate the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1893.

(*Prepared and brought in by Mr. Herbert Gardner, Mr. Attorney-General, and The Lord Advocate.*)

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[Bill 348.]

Dispensary Committees (Ireland) Bill.

MEMORANDUM.

Under the law as it at present stands (14 & 15 Vict. c. 68, s. 7) the property qualification of members of dispensary committees in Ireland, who are not elected or ex-officio guardians, is "thirty pounds at the least." In consequence of this high qualification some of the most eligible ratepayers in dispensary districts are disqualified from acting on their local committees. The property qualification for guardians has been reduced to eight pounds, and may be still further reduced by the Local Government Board for Ireland.

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TO

Amend the Law relating to the Qualification of Members of Dispensary Committees in Ireland. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Local Government Board to fix qualification.

1. From and after the *passing of this Act* the Local Government Board for Ireland shall have power to fix the rating qualification of members of dispensary committees in Ireland.

Repeal of part of 14 & 15 Vict. c. 68. s. 7.

2. Section seven of the Act fourteenth and fifteenth Victoria, chapter sixty-eight, is hereby repealed in so far as it relates to the rating qualification of members of dispensary committees.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the Dispensary Committees (Ireland) Act, 1894.

Dispensary Committees (Ireland).

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To amend the Law relating to the qualification of Members of Dispensary Committees in Ireland.

(*Prepared and brought in by Mr. Patrick Aloysius McHugh, Mr. Crean, Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Tully, and Mr. McCartan.*)

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[Bill 173.]

Dogs Bill.

MEMORANDUM.

It is proposed by this Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to (1) seizure of stray dogs; (2) muzzling of dogs; (3) dangerous dogs; and (4) liability of owner of dog for injury to cattle or sheep; and also to enable the Board of Agriculture to require, or to authorise local authorities to require, dogs to wear collars with name and address of owner. It is also proposed to apply to the United Kingdom generally certain provisions which at present only apply to London, Dublin, or certain towns.

The nature of the proposed amendments is explained in the following notes:—

Clause 1.

Under the general law the police have no power to deal with stray dogs other than such as are supposed to be savage or dangerous, except in the City of London and in that part of the metropolitan police district which is within the county of London (see 30 & 31 Vict. c. 134. s. 18).

The Board of Agriculture have, by order under section 3 of 52 & 53 Vict. c. 30., required all local authorities to seize and deal with stray dogs, but it is difficult for local authorities to deal with the question satisfactorily in places where they are not the police authority.

It is, therefore, proposed by clause 1 that the statutory powers of the metropolitan police as to stray dogs, which are now limited to the county of London, should be extended to the whole of the metropolitan police district, and that similar powers should be conferred on all police authorities throughout the country.

Clause 2.

From 1886 to 1889 the Privy Council, and since 1889 the Board of Agriculture, have dealt with outbreaks of rabies by orders under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, either by directly requiring dogs to be muzzled in certain places, or by enabling local authorities generally to impose the muzzle by regulation when necessary. Any doubt as to the powers to impose the muzzle was removed by section 3 of 52 & 53 Vict. c. 30., which also enabled the Board and local authorities to seize and dispose of stray dogs and dogs not muzzled.

Under section 3 of the Dogs Act, 1871, certain local authorities can impose restrictions on dogs, but this can only be done where a

rabid or suspected dog is within the district of the local authority, and the restrictions do not extend to a dog which is under the control of any person. These limitations render the power of little practical use.

In the metropolitan police district the local authorities under the Dogs Act are the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis and the Commissioner of City Police, who have also the power to impose the muzzle (without the limitations contained in the Dogs Act, 1871), under the Metropolitan Streets Act, 1867, but this last-mentioned Act does not extend to the parts of the metropolitan police district outside the county of London.

Since rabies has been dealt with as a disease under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts the powers of justices, police authorities, &c. to make muzzling orders under the other Acts have fallen into disuse, it being found that the procedure under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts is more satisfactory and complete.

It is, therefore, proposed to repeal the provisions of the Dogs Act, 1871, and of the Metropolitan Streets Act, 1867, relating to muzzling, and to repeal and re-enact section three of the Board of Agriculture Act, 1889, so that in future muzzling will only be imposed by the authorities responsible for the prevention of the spreading of disease.

The clause confers a new power on the Board of Agriculture to require, or to enable local authorities to require, dogs to wear collars with name and address of owners, and removes a doubt as to whether the Board can require dogs to wear collars.

It also removes a doubt as to the power to destroy unmuzzled dogs in Ireland.

Clause 3.

Subsection (1) reproduces section 18 of 30 & 31 Vict. c. 134 (relating to London only) and section 2 of the Dogs Act, 1871, omitting so much of the last-mentioned section as relates to the penalty, which is provided for by 42 & 43 Vict. c. 49. s. 34.

Subsection (2), enabling police officers to destroy any dog affected with or suspected of rabies, is taken from two Acts of 1839 relating to London and Dublin respectively.

Clause 4.

The provisions of this clause are taken from the London and Dublin Acts, and also from the Towns Police Clauses Act, 1847, which latter Act is incorporated in various local Acts.

Clause 5.

This clause reproduces three Acts for England, Scotland, and Ireland respectively which make owners of dogs liable for injury done to cattle or sheep, without the necessity of proving the mischievous propensity of the dog and that the owner knew of such propensity. The expression "presumed to be the owner" has been substituted for "deemed to be the owner." The jurisdiction of justices in cases where the claim is under five pounds is not continued.

Clause 8.

The cost of feeding dogs detained in Ireland under clause 1, now payable out of the local rate, is by clause 8 made payable out of the fund arising from the sale of licenses under the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865.

Clause 9.

It is proposed to repeal not only the provisions of public Acts relating to dogs, but also all similar provisions in local Acts, so as to make the law as to dogs as far as possible uniform throughout the country.

Section 54 of the Metropolitan Police Act, 1839 (2 & 3 Vict. c. 47.) and the corresponding provisions of the Towns Police Clauses Act, 1847 (10 & 11 Vict. c. 89. s. 28), and the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851 (14 & 15 Vict. c. 92. s. 10), impose penalties on any person who sets on or urges any dog or *other animal* to attack, worry, or put in fear any person, horse, or other animal. It is believed that this provision is not needed in England or Ireland, except for dogs (as to which it is reproduced by clause 4 (*c*) of the Bill), and therefore it is proposed to repeal these provisions specifically.

DOGS BILL.

TABLE showing the MODE in which the ACTS PROPOSED to be REPEALED by the BILL are dealt with by the BILL.

Act.	Subject matter.	Clause of Bill.	Remarks.
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s. 61.	Rabid dogs (Metropolis).	3, 4	
2 & 3 Vict. c. 78. s. 15.	Rabid dogs (Dublin)	3, 4	
10 & 11 Vict. c. 89. (E.) & (I.) s. 28.	Ferocious and rabid dogs.	4	
14 & 15 Vict. c. 92. s. 10.	Worrying dogs -	4	Seems obsolete.
	Dogs near public road.	—	
25 & 26 Vict. c. 59. (I.)	Injury to cattle -	5	
26 & 27 Vict. c. 100. (S.)	Injury to cattle -	5	
28 & 29 Vict. c. 60. (E.)	Injury to cattle -	5	
30 & 31 Vict. c. 134. (Met.) s. 18.	Stray dogs - -	1	Extended by Bill to country generally.
	Muzzling - -	—	Power become obsolete.
	Destruction of dangerous dogs.	3 (1)	Extended by Bill to country generally.
34 & 35 Vict. c. 56. s. 1.	Seizure of savage and dangerous stray dogs.	1	Extended to all stray dogs.
s. 2.	Order of Court for dangerous dogs to be kept under control or destroyed.	3 (1)	
s. 3.	Restriction on dogs -	—	Power become obsolete.
s. 4.	Penalties - -	—	
s. 5.	Definitions - -	6, 7, 8	
s. 6.	Saving of local Acts	—	Local Acts proposed to be repealed.
s. 7.	Short title - -	—	
52 & 53 Vict. c. 30. (E., S.) s. 3.	Muzzling of dogs -	2	
	Stray dogs - -	1	

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ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

Clause.

1. Seizure of stray dogs.
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3. Destruction of dangerous or rabid dogs.
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SCHEDULE.

[Bill 177.] A

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TO

Consolidate and amend certain Enactments relating to Dogs. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Seizure of stray dogs. [34 & 35 Vict. c. 56. s. 1. 30 & 31 Vict. c. 134. (Met.) s. 18.]

1.—(1.) Where a police officer has reason to believe that any dog found in a highway or place of public resort is a stray dog, he may seize the dog and may detain it until the owner has claimed it and paid all expenses incurred by reason of its detention.

(2.) Where any dog so seized wears a collar having inscribed thereon or attached thereto the address of any person or a number sufficient for identification, or the owner of the dog is known, the chief officer of police, or any person authorised by him in that behalf, shall serve on the owner, or on the person whose address is given on the collar, a notice in writing stating that the dog has been so seized and will be liable to be sold or destroyed if not claimed within *three* clear days after the service of the notice.

(3.) A notice under this section may be served either—

(*a*) by delivering it to the person on whom it is to be served; or

(*b*) by leaving it at that person's usual or last known place of abode, or at the address given on the collar; or

(*c*) by forwarding it by post in a prepaid letter addressed to that person at his usual or last known place of abode, or at the address given on the collar.

(4.) Where any dog so seized has been detained for *three* clear days after the seizure, or, in the case of such a notice as aforesaid having been served with respect to the dog, then, for *three* clear days after the service of the notice, and the owner has not claimed the

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dog and paid all expenses incurred by reason of its detention, the chief officer of police, or any person authorised by him in that behalf, may cause the dog to be sold or destroyed.

(5.) The police officer or other person having charge of any dog detained under this section shall cause the dog to be properly fed and maintained.

(6.) All expenses incurred by the police in feeding and maintaining any dog under this section and not recovered from the owner of the dog, shall be defrayed out of the police fund, and any money arising from the sale of any dog in pursuance of this section shall be paid to the account of the police fund.

Orders of Board of Agriculture requiring dogs to be muzzled or to wear collars. [52 & 53 Vict. c. 30. (E., S.) s. 3.]

2.—(1.) The Board of Agriculture may make such general or special orders as they think fit for the following purposes or any of them; that is to say,—

(*a*) for prescribing and regulating the muzzling of dogs and the keeping of dogs under control;

(*b*) for prescribing and regulating the wearing of collars by dogs, with the name and address of the owner of the dog or a number for identification inscribed on the collar or attached thereto;

(*c*) for prescribing and regulating the seizure, detention, and disposal (including destruction) of dogs not muzzled and of dogs not being kept under control, and of dogs not wearing collars as required by any such order, and the recovery from the owners of such dogs of the expenses incurred in their detention;

and the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1893, shall apply as if the said purposes were among the purposes mentioned in section thirty-two of the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878.

41 & 42 Vict. c. 74.

(2.) The powers conferred upon the Board of Agriculture by this section shall, as regards Ireland, be vested in the Lord Lieutenant and the Privy Council.

Destruction of dangerous or rabid dogs. [34 & 35 Vict. c. 56. s. 2. 30 & 31 Vict. c. 134. (Met.) s. 18.] [2 & 3 Vict. c. 47. (Met.) s. 61. 2 & 3 Vict. c. 78. (I.) s. 15.]

3.—(1.) If it is proved to the satisfaction of a court of summary jurisdiction that a dog is dangerous and not kept under proper control, the court may make a summary order directing the owner of the dog to keep the dog under proper control or directing the owner or a police officer or some other person to destroy it.

(2.) A police officer may destroy any dog found in any highway or place of public resort, which is affected with rabies, or which he has reasonable grounds for believing to be affected with rabies, or to have been bitten by any dog or other animal affected with rabies.

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Offences as regards dogs. [2 & 3 Vict. c. 47. (Met.) ss. 54, 61. 2 & 3 Vict. c. 78. (I.). s. 15. 10 & 11 Vict. c. 89. s. 28. 14 & 15 Vict. c. 92. (I.) s. 10.]

4. If any person in any highway or place of public resort commits any of the following offences, that is to say:—

(*a*) suffers to be at large any unmuzzled ferocious dog, or

(*b*) suffers to be at large any dog which he knows or has reasonable grounds for believing to be affected with rabies or to have been bitten by any dog or other animal affected with rabies, or

(*c*) sets on or urges any dog to attack or worry or put in fear any person or any horse or other animal,

he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding *five pounds*.

Liability of owner of dog for injury to cattle or sheep. [25&26 Vict. c. 59. (I.). 26 & 27 Vict. c. 100. (S.). 28 & 29 Vict. c. 60. (E.).]

5.—(1.) The owner of a dog shall be liable in damages for injury done to any cattle or sheep by that dog; and it shall not be necessary for the person seeking such damages to show a previous mischievous propensity in the dog, or the owner's knowledge of such previous propensity, or to show that the injury was attributable to neglect on the part of the owner.

(2.) Where any such injury has been done by a dog, the occupier of any house or premises where the dog was kept, or permitted to live or remain at the time of the injury, shall be presumed to be the owner of the dog, and shall be liable for the injury unless he prove that he was not the owner of the dog at that time, and that the dog was kept or permitted to live or remain in the house or premises without his sanction or knowledge: Provided that where there are more occupiers than one in any house or premises let in separate apartments, or lodgings, or otherwise, the occupier of that particular part of the house or premises in which the dog has been kept or permitted to live or remain at the time of the injury shall be presumed to be the owner of the dog.

Meaning of expressions relating to police. [34 & 35 Vict. c. 56. s. 5.] 53 & 54 Vict. c. 45.

6. In this Act the expressions "chief officer of police" and "police fund" have the meanings respectively assigned to them by the Police Act, 1890.

Application of Act to Scotland. 53 & 54 Vict c. 67.

7. This Act shall apply to Scotland with the following modifications, that is to say,—

(*a.*) The Police (Scotland) Act, 1890, shall be substituted for the Police Act, 1890.

(*b.*) The expression "court of summary jurisdiction" shall mean the sheriff or any magistrate or magistrates by whatever name called having jurisdiction or authorised to act under the Summary Jurisdiction (Scotland) Acts.

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Application of Act to Ireland. [34 & 35 Vict. c. 56. s. 5.]

8. This Act shall apply to Ireland with the following modifications, that is to say:—

(*a.*) The expression "chief officer of police" shall mean, in the police district of Dublin metropolis, either of the commissioners of police for the said district, and elsewhere the district inspector of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

(*b.*) The expenses incurred by the police in feeding and maintaining any dogs under this Act and not recovered from the owners of the dogs shall on demand be paid to the chief officer of police out of the fund arising from the sale of licenses under the Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865, and any money arising from the sale of dogs under section one of this Act shall be paid by the chief officer of police to that fund and be applicable accordingly.

28 & 29 Vict. c. 50.

Repeal.

9. There shall be repealed so much of any Act, whether public general or local and personal, as confers on any local authority, court of summary jurisdiction, or police officer any powers relating to the muzzling of dogs or to the keeping of dogs under control, or in confinement, or to the wearing of collars by dogs or to stray dogs or to dogs affected with or suspected of rabies, or to dangerous or ferocious dogs, and in particular there shall be repealed the Acts described in the schedule to this Act to the extent appearing in the third column of the schedule.

Provided that nothing in this section shall affect the operation of any of the provisions of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1892.

55 & 56 Vict. c. 55.

Commencement of Act.

10. This Act shall come into operation on the *first day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.*

Short title.

11. This Act may be cited as the Dogs Act, 1894.

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ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

Session and Chapter.	Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
2 & 3 Vict. c. 47. -	The Metropolitan Police Act, 1839.	In section fifty-four the paragraph numbered (2) from "or suffer to be "at large" to "horse or "other animal"; and section sixty-one so far as it relates to dogs.
2 & 3 Vict. c. 78. -	The Dublin Police Act, 1839 -	Section fifteen so far as it relates to dogs.
10 & 11 Vict. c. 89. -	The Towns Police Clauses Act, 1847.	Section twenty-eight, from "every person who "suffers to be at large" to "specified in such "notice."
14 & 15 Vict. c. 92. -	The Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851.	In section ten the words "or set on or urge any "dog or other animal to "attack or worry any "person, horse, or other "animal," and from "any person who shall "keep or suffer" to "kill any such dog."
25 & 26 Vict. c. 59. -	The Dogs (Ireland) Act, 1862	The whole Act.
26 & 27 Vict. c. 100. -	The Dogs (Scotland) Act, 1863	The whole Act.
28 & 29 Vict. c. 60. -	The Dogs Act, 1865 - -	The whole Act.
30 & 31 Vict. c. 134. -	The Metropolitan Streets Act, 1867.	Section eighteen.
34 & 35 Vict. c. 56. -	The Dogs Act, 1871 - -	The whole Act.
52 & 53 Vict. c. 30. -	The Board of Agriculture Act, 1889.	Section three.

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[Bill 177.]

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An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for London to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have made a Provisional Order under the authority of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, on behalf of the School Board for London, and it is requisite that the same should be confirmed by Parliament: 33 & 34 Vict. c. 75.

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The following Order shall be and is hereby confirmed, and from and after the passing of this Act shall have full validity and force. Confirmation of Order.

2. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorise the said Board to extinguish any public rights of way without such Order being obtained as, but for this Act, would have been required for that purpose. Saving of public rights of way.

3.—(1.) The Board shall not under the powers of this Act purchase or acquire in any parish in the Metropolis twenty or more houses which after the passing of this Act have been or on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers, unless and until— Saving with respect to houses of labouring classes.

(*a.*) They shall have obtained the approval of the Secretary of State for the Home Department to a scheme for providing new dwellings for such number of persons as were residing in such houses on the fifteenth day of December last, or for such

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number of persons as the Secretary of State shall after inquiry deem necessary, having regard to the number of persons on or after that date residing in such houses and working within one mile therefrom, and to the amount of vacant suitable accommodation in the immediate neighbourhood of such houses, or to the place of employment of such persons, and to all the circumstances of the case; and

(*b.*) They shall have given security to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State for the carrying out of the scheme.

(2.) The approval of the Secretary of State to any scheme under this section may be given either absolutely or conditionally, and after the Secretary of State has approved of any such scheme he may from time to time approve either absolutely or conditionally of any modifications in the scheme.

(3.) Every scheme under this section shall contain provisions prescribing the time within which it shall be carried out, and shall require the new dwellings proposed to be provided under the scheme to be completed fit for occupation before the persons residing in the houses in respect of which the scheme is made are displaced: Provided that the Secretary of State may dispense with the last-mentioned requirement subject to such conditions (if any) as he may see fit.

(4.) Any provisions of any scheme under this section, and any conditions subject to which the Secretary of State may have approved of any scheme, or of any modifications of any scheme under this section, or subject to which he may have dispensed with the above-mentioned requirement, shall be enforceable by a writ of mandamus to be obtained by him out of the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice.

(5.) If the Board acquire or appropriate any house or houses for the purposes of this Act in contravention of the foregoing provisions, or displace or cause to be displaced the persons residing in any house or houses in contravention of the requirements of the scheme, they shall be liable to a penalty of five hundred pounds in respect of any such house, which penalty shall be recoverable by the Secretary of State by action in the High Court of Justice, and shall be carried to and form part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom: Provided that the Court may, if it think fit, reduce such penalty.

(6.) For the purpose of carrying out any scheme under this section the Board may, subject to the approval of the Lords of the

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Committee of the Privy Council on Education, appropriate any lands for the time being belonging to them or which they have power to acquire, and may purchase such further lands as they may require.

(7.) The Board may, subject to such approval as aforesaid, on any lands belonging to them, or purchased or acquired under this section, erect such dwellings for persons of the labouring class as may be necessary for the purpose of any scheme under this section, and may sell, demise, or let, or otherwise dispose of such dwellings and any lands purchased or acquired as aforesaid.

(8.) All lands on which any buildings have been erected or provided by the Board in pursuance of any scheme under this section shall, for a period of twenty-five years from the date of the scheme, be appropriated for the purpose of dwellings, and every conveyance, demise, or lease of such lands and buildings shall be endorsed with notice of this enactment: Provided that the Secretary of State may at any time dispense with all or any of the requirements of this subsection, subject to such conditions (if any) as he may see fit.

(9.) All buildings erected or provided by the Board for the purpose of any scheme under this section shall be subject to the provisions of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and any Acts amending those respective Acts.

18 & 19 Vict. c. 122.
18 & 19 Vict. c. 120.

(10.) The Secretary of State may direct any inquiries to be held which he may deem necessary in relation to any scheme under this section, and for giving effect to any of the provisions of this section, and may appoint inspectors for the purposes of any such inquiry; and every such inspector shall, for the purposes of any such inquiry, have all such powers as inspectors of the Local Government Board have for the purposes of inquiries directed by that Board under the Public Health Act, 1875.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 55.

(11.) The Board shall pay to the Secretary of State a sum to be fixed by him in respect of any expenses incurred by him in relation to any inquiries under this section, including the expenses of any witnesses summoned by the inspector holding the inquiry, and a reasonable sum to be fixed by the Secretary of State for the services of such inspector.

(12.) For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" includes mechanics, artizans, labourers, and others working for wages, hawkers, costermongers, persons not working for wages

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but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family, and persons, other than domestic servants, whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week, and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

(13.) The Board and the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education and the Secretary of State are hereby respectively authorised and empowered to do all acts, matters, and things for carrying into full effect every such scheme as aforesaid, and the Board and the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education shall for that purpose have the same powers as they have under the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 to 1880, for the purpose of providing sufficient school accommodation for their district, including the power of borrowing money under section ten of the Elementary Education Act, 1873, and the carrying of such scheme into effect shall be deemed to be a work for which the Board is authorised to borrow within the meaning of the Public Works Loans Act, 1875.

36 & 37 Vict. c. 86.

38 & 39 Vict. c. 89.

Saving for provisions of 18 & 19 Vict. cc. 120, 122.

4. Nothing contained in this Act or in the Order set out in the schedule to this Act, or on the plans therein mentioned, shall be deemed to exempt any of the lands referred to in the said Order, or the School Board in respect thereof, from any of the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and any Acts amending or extending the same.

Short title.

5. This Act may be cited as the Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Act, 1894.

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THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR LONDON.

Provisional Order for putting in force the Lands Clauses Acts.

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 8th day of May 1894.

Whereas the School Board for London require to purchase divers pieces of land for the purposes of the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 and 1873, and, not having been able to purchase the same by agreement, require to put in force the provisions of the Lands Clauses Acts which apply to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement:

And whereas the lands so required to be purchased are set forth in the schedule hereunder written:

And whereas the said Board have made due publication of the notices, and have duly served the same, according to the requirements of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and have presented a petition to the Education Department praying that an Order may be made authorising the said Board to put in force the powers of the said Acts with respect to the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, in which petition were stated all the matters required by the said Elementary Education Act to be stated therein, and the same hath been supported by such evidence as the said Education Department required:

And whereas the said Department, having considered the said petition and the proofs of the publication and service of the proper notices, have thought fit to proceed with the case, and have caused inquiry to be made in the district of the said Board wherein the said lands are situate as to the propriety of the proposed Order:

Now, therefore, the said Department, having received a report after such inquiry, and having duly considered the same, do hereby declare that it is proper, and do hereby order accordingly, that the said Board be authorised to put in force, with reference to the pieces of land set forth in the schedule hereunder written, the powers of the said Acts for the purchase and taking of lands otherwise than by agreement, or any of them.

Signed this 8th day of May 1894.

G. W. KEKEWICH,
Secretary to the Education Department.

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THE SCHEDULE HEREIN-BEFORE REFERRED TO.

Plan No. 1.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Fulham, in the county of London, being portion of a market garden ground situate on the south-west side of Peterborough Road, Fulham, aforesaid, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 1, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owner and occupier of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Miss Charlotte Sulivan - -	———		
Charles Morrison - -			———

Plan No. 2.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Fulham, in the county of London, being portion of a market garden ground or the south-west side of Fulham Palace Road, and opposite to a portion of the premises of the Fulham Union, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 2, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The name of the owner and occupier of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments is as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Edward Matyear -	———		———

Plan No 3.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the county of London, known as the Alexandra Mews, Hornsey Road, together with the land and premises adjacent known as Nos. 248, 250, 252, and 254, Hornsey

Road, and containing 49,075 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 3, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 19, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Frank Hudson	——		
John Thomas Emmett	——		
National Telephone Company	——		
Mrs. Ann Willy		——	——
Mrs. Esther Franklin			——
James Atthow			——
Mr. Whenman			——
Henry Mann			——
Frederick Knott			——
Mark Baker			——
Nathan Field			——
William McGee			——
Edward Humphries			——
Arthur Henry Jones			——
William Ling			——
James Locken			——
John James Harris			——

Plan No. 4.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Plumstead, in the county of London, having a frontage on the southern side of the Wrottesley Road and on the western side of Plum Lane, in the said parish, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 4 and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The name of the owner and occupier of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments is as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Thomas Nash	——		——

Plan No. 6.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Plumstead, in the county of London, on the east side of Wickham Lane, opposite the Old Manor House, Plumstead, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the

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same is described in the Plan No. 6, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The name of the owner and occupier of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Provost and Fellows of Queen's College, Oxford	——		
George Russell			——

Plan No. 8.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. John, Hackney, in the county of London, together with the six houses thereon numbered 143, 145, 147, 149, 151, and 153, Dalston Lane, with garden ground in the rear, and containing 23,500 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 8, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 7, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Charles Cloverley Paine	——		
Frank Westley			——
James Gozzard			——
Alfred Norman			——
Edwin Norman			——
Ludovic Cartier			——
Mr. Obee			——

Plan No. 9.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. John, Hackney, in the county of London, together with the seven houses thereon numbered 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, and 115, Queen's Road, Dalston, and Nos. 1 and 3, Albion Road, Dalston aforesaid, and containing 41,665 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 9, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 9, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any)

now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Lieut. Col. John Francis Cust -	———		
Horace Broke - -	———		
Piers Egerton Warburton - -	———		
Sir Henry Percy Anderson, K.C.B.	———		
Mrs. A. Briers - -		———	
Mrs. Elizabeth Scollay -		———	———
Alfred Lefaux - -		———	
Alfred Hicks - -		———	———
Mrs. Martha Ann Wallis -		———	
Edward Abraham Smith -		———	
Thomas Beard - -		———	
Mrs. Harlow - -		———	
Joseph Hunt - -			———
Mrs. Harriett Susannah Travis -			———
James Scollay - -			———
Harry Castang - -			———
Miss Laura Castang - -			———
Harry Lawrence - -			———
Joshua Taylor - -			———
Miss Rachel Eustace - -			———
John Bissell - -			———

Plan No. 10.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. John, Hackney, in the county of London, and lying between Mandeville Road and Oswald Street, Clapton, and containing 30,200 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 10, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Grant's Trustees - -	———		

Plan No. 11.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Mary, Newington, in the county of London, together with eight houses thereon, being Nos. 145, 147,

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149, 151, 153, 155, 157, and 159, South Street. Five houses, being Nos. 30, 32, 34, 36, and 38, Farraday Street, and five houses, being Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37, and 39, Mann Street, and containing 19,100 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 11, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 18, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Governor and Guardians of St. Mary, Newington			
Rufus Kirby			
Francis Mander			
Mrs. Ellen Ackland			
William Duck			
G. Holland			
John Johnson			
Mrs. Harriett T. Filey			
Miss Tarrant			
William Rowe			
Harry Hassell			
Frederick George White			
Silas John Hurford			
John Saunders			
David Rickwood			
George Edis			
William George Cope			
Alfred Spratley			
Walter George Martin			
Thomas Charles Williams			
William Foreman			
Charles Walter Peddle			
G. A. Storrar			
Robert Williams			
Mrs. Mary Ann Woosman			
Richard Wright			
Thomas Davies			
Mrs. Mary Ann Carter Nathan			

Plan No. 12.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, in the county of London, together with 11 houses thereon, Nos. 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, and 78, Holland Road, and containing 38,300 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 12, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 11, together with all and singular the messuages, and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances.

The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Rev. Edward William Northey	———		
Lieut.-Col. George Wilbraham Northey	———		
Hon. John Powys	———		
Thomas Henry Burroughes	———		
William Stewart Forster	———		
Mrs. Martha Solomon		———	
Morden Levy		———	
Mark Benjamin		———	
George Powis		———	———
Richard G. Kimber		———	
Mrs. Eleanor Plyer		———	———
Mrs. Ann Holliday		———	
Joseph Wilson		———	
Mrs. Emily Hughes		———	
Robert George Scott		———	———
Edwin Covington		———	
Thos. Tuffin			———
Henry William Smith			———
Malcolm Macmaster			———
Charles Keeble			———
Herbert Endersby			———
John Collinson			———

Plan No. 13.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Clapham, in the county of London, forming part of the Hyde Farm Estate, with the erections thereon, situate on the eastern side of Dragmire Lane, Balham, and containing 55,175 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 13, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 14, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Emanuel College, Cambridge	———		
Henry William Benham		———	———
James Lyle			———
John Griffin			———
Ernest Osborne			———
William Crisp			———
Mr. Jones			———
James Thomas			———
John Thomas			———
Thomas Leverett			———
Joseph Galliford			———
John Tiddy			———
Thomas Bradshaw			———

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Plan No. 14.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, in the county of London, situate at the junction of Idmiston Road with the western side of Barston Road, and having a frontage to both of those roads, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 14, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owner and occupier of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments is as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Charles Blake - - -	———		

Plan No. 16.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Wandsworth, in the county of London, situate on the northeast side of Hazlehurst Road, at its junction with Smallwood Road, with frontages to both of those roads, and containing 56,945 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 16, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 and 2, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Trustees of the Holborn Charity Estate - - -	———		
Mrs. Simmons - - -	———		
Mary Corps - - -	———		
Joseph Martins - - -	———		
Joseph Bell Martin - -	———		
Jessie Brett - - -	———		
Ellen Budd - - -	———		
Alice Maud Martin - -	———		
Fanny Edith Martin - -	———		
Agnes Rachel Martin - -	———		
Samuel Martin - - -	———		
Annie Laura Flunder - -	———		
Charles Albert Martin - -	———		

Plan No. 18.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Wandsworth, in the county of London, situate at the junction of the south-west side of the Grove with the north-west side of the Swaffield Road, with frontages to the Grove and Swaffield Road, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 18, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The name of the owner and occupier of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments is as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
James McMurray - -	———		———

Plan No. 20.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with the houses thereon, Nos. 102 and 104, Page's Walk, Bermondsey, and the factory premises, No. 110, Page's Walk aforesaid, and containing 50,350 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 20, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Executors of John Oakey deceased	———		
Francis Henry Ebsworth -		———	
Arthur Beard - - -			———

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Plan No. 21.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. George in the East, in the county of London, together with ten houses thereon numbered 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, and 20, Blakesley Street, and six houses, Nos. 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, and 34, Dean Street, and containing 20,760 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 21, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 16, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
The Mercers' Company			
Henry Finlay			
Mrs. Martha Wiles			
Thomas Wiles			
Edward Hatch			
Mrs. Jane Bourne			
John William Godbolt			
George Harwood			
Henry Staines			
Mrs. Fanny Maria Winter			
Mrs. Rosetta Barnett			
George Manser			
George Smith			
Robert Crowden			
Edwin Evans			
James John Harley			
Mrs. Elizabeth Hawser			
Henry Pond			
George Britten			
Joseph Freedman			
Thomas Warwick			
Mrs. Eliza Waller			
Thomas Jaggers			
Simon Brillion			
Isaac Elster			
Edgar John Hunter			
Mrs. Lucy Bailey			
Mr. Horn			
Mr. Hamilton			
Mr. Cumming			
Mr. George			
Mr. Green			
Alfred Lamey			
George Firman			
Walter Young			
George Backhouse			
Edgar Marsh			
James Cairncross			

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Plan No. 22.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of All Saints, Poplar, in the county of London, situate on the south side of Glengall Road, with a frontage to that road, and adjoining the Glengall Iron Works, and containing 54,450 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 22, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Lady Margaret Charteris -	——		
Right Hon. John Paulett -	——		
Marquis of Winchester (deceased)			
Right Hon. Francis Charteris Earl of Wemyss and March -	——		
Viscount de Vesci - -	——		
Earl of Strafford - -	——		

Plan No. 23.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Leonard, Bromley, in the county of London, being factory premises and houses now in course of demolition, situate on the south west side of St. Leonard Street, Bromley, and containing 35,000 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 23, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
The School Board for London -	——		
The National Telephone Company - - -	——		

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Plan No. 24.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Leonard, Bromley, in the county of London, together with 10 houses, Nos. 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, and 23, Culloden Street, and eight houses, Nos. 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, and 19, Dee Street, and containing 20,230 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 24, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 18, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
John Abbott	———		
Mrs. Emily Maud Thomas	———		
Frank Howard Thomas	———		
Mary Christiana Thomas	———		
Mrs. Beatrice Margaret Power	———		
Philip Passmore Lincoln	———		
Harry Cornford		———	———
John Briggs		———	———
Joseph Spencer		———	———
William Bussy		———	
Mrs. Lucy Wyles		———	
F. B. Daniel		———	
Mrs. Mary Jones		———	
Josiah Fowler		———	
Francis Hy. Webb		———	
Agnes Mary Davey		———	
Richard Powell		———	
John Peter Lacy		———	
George Young		———	
Arthur Page			———
Samuel Parker			———
James Purdy			———
W. Gilman			———
Geo. W. Warren			———
W. Robinson			———
Joseph Juniper			———
Harry Bailey			———
Fredk. Titmus			———
Mrs. Emma Faulkner			———
Hy. Saml. McDowell			———
Geo. Davey			———
Geo. Gunton			———
John Pryke			———

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Plan No. 26.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Botolph Without Aldgate, in the county of London, together with two dwelling-houses, Nos. 4 and 5, Stoney Lane, Houndsditch, including the pavement frontages to same, and containing 1,700 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 26, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 4, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
St. Botolph, Aldgate, Freedom and Lordship Joint Charities	———		
City Commissioners of Sewers -	———		
Aldgate Freedom Foundation -		———	
Charles Pritchett - -		———	
Barnard Landy - - -			———

Plan No. 27.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Peter and St. Paul, Hammersmith, in the county of London, together with four houses, Nos. 86, 88, 90, and 92, Hadyn Park Road, and land in the rear thereof, and containing, 9,795 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 27 and distinguished by the Nos 1 to 6, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Mrs. Mary Ann Bolton - -	———		
Rees Daniel Morgan - -	———		
John Wyvill - - -	———		
Gerald Surman - - -	———		
Mrs. Emily Gloyns - -			———
Frederick Dean - - -			———
Mrs. Georgina Brame - -			———
William Pearce - - -			———

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Plan No. 28.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Nicholas, Deptford, in the county of London, adjoining the eastern boundary of the Creek Road Board School, and having a frontage to Knott Street, and containing 23,480 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 28, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Richard Wheen - - -	———		———
Francis Wheen - - -	———		———
Charles Wheen - - -	———		———

Plan No. 29.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Greenwich, in the county of London, together with three dwelling-houses thereon, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Randall Place, with entrance yards and stables adjoining, including also a piece of land in the rear thereof, having a frontage to "Straits Mouth," and containing 5,890 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 29, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 6, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Trustees of Morden College, Blackheath - - -	———		
Lewis Meyers - - -	———		
Frederick Fountain - - -	··	———	
William Bush Killick - -			———
George Barr - - -			———
Edward Sydney Page - -			———
Richard Bainbridge - - -			———

Plan No. 30.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Greenwich, in the county of London, situate on the south side of Old Woolwich Road, and adjoining the western side of the Old Woolwich Road Board School premises, and

containing 2,630 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 30, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
London County Council	———		

Plan No. 31.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the county of London, being stable premises, sheds, and yard, having an entrance thereto from Clifton Hill, and adjoining the southern side of the Clifton Road Board School premises, and containing 2,700 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 31, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
John Benjamin Smith	———		
William Beresford Smith	———		
William Nash		———	———

Plan No. 32.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the county of London, together with four houses thereon, Nos. 69, 71, 73, and 75, Church Street, adjoining the eastern boundary of the Regent Street Board School premises, and containing 4,840 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 32, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 4, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now

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standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Bridge House Estates Committee	—		
George Amery		—	—
Mrs. Harriet Silvester		—	
Walter Farley			—
Henry Clark			—

Plan No. 33.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. John, Hackney, in the county of London, together with two houses thereon, being Nos. 21 and 23, Enfield Road, adjoining the northern boundary of the Enfield Road Board School premises, and containing 4,605 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 33, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 & 2, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
William George Mount	—		
Albert Richard Tull	—		
Richard Benyon	—		
Parker Todd		—	
Mrs. Sarah Ann Skelton		—	
Alexander Clarke			—
William Frederick White			—

Plan No. 34.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. John, Hackney, in the county of London, together with five dwelling houses thereon, being Nos. 92, 94, 96, 98, and 100, Tottenham Road, adjoining the western boundary of the Tottenham Road Board School premises, and containing 14,760 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 34, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 4, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances.

The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
William George Mount	—		
Albert Richard Tull	—		
Richard Benyon	—		
Mrs. Elizabeth Newton		—	
W. Peart		—	
William Blomfield			—
Thomas Baines			—
Henry George Goodall			—

Plan No. 35.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. John, Hackney, in the county of London, being at the rear of Fisher's Place, having a frontage to Shepherd's Lane, and containing 7,000 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 35, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owner and lessees of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Lord Amherst of Hackney	—		
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Plan No. 36.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, in the county of London, together with four houses thereon, being Nos. 1, 3, 5, and 7, Hartley Street, adjoining the western boundary of the Bonner Street Board School premises, and containing 2,575 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 36, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 4, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names

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of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Mrs. Mary Ann Robinson -	——		
Mrs. Emily Grace Moore -	——		
Edwin Franklin Conway -		——	
Charles Grist - - - - -		——	
John Southon - - -			——
Mrs. Sarah Rowlett - - -			——
Thomas Harvey - - - -			——
Wm. Holloway - - - -			——

Plan No. 37.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, in the county of London, and being at the junction of Mansford Street with the north side of Old Bethnal Green Road, and containing 36,145 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 37, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
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Plan No. 38.

A piece of land situate in the parish of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, in the county of London, on the west side of and having a frontage to New North Place, and adjoining the eastern boundary of the playground of the Scrutton Street Board School premises, and containing 1,390 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 38, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners

and lessees of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Mrs. Caroline Stephens -	———		
Dr. Tom Robinson -	———		
Mrs. Woolnorth -		———	
A. Birt - -		———	

Plan No. 39.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Giles, Camberwell, in the county of London, together with two houses thereon, Nos. 240 and 242, Peckham Rye, with the entrances thereto from Peckham Rye, and containing 19,020 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 39, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 and 2, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
William Cornwallis Cartwright -	———		
King Harrison - -		———	
David Over - - -		———	———
Miss Mary Ann Walker -			———

Plan No. 40.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, in the county of London, on the north side of Gipsy Road, and having a frontage to that road, and containing 16,975 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 40, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Ecclesiastical Commissioners -	———		
Friend Edward Streeten -	———		
George Abbott Streeten -	———		
Henry Harkney Streeten -	———		
George Edward Septimus Fryer	———		

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Plan No. 41.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Pancras, in the county of London, together with four houses thereon, Nos. 17, 19, 21, and 23, Camden Street, and containing 13,205 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 41, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing and being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Marquis Camden - -	———		
School Board for London -		———	

Plan No. 42.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Pancras, in the county of London, being portions of the gardens in the rear of Nos. 26 and 28, Haverstock Hill, adjoining the Haverstock Hill Board School premises, and containing 8,545 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 42, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 and 2, together with all and singular the messuages, and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupiers.
Charles Smith - - -	———		
George Bagster Denton - -		———	
Charles H. Gittens - -		———	———
Miss Eleanor E. Nutchey -		———	———

Plan No. 43.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Marylebone, in the county of London, together with house and premises thereon, in Bell Street, adjoining the Bell Street Board School premises, and containing 1,730 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 43, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and

buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
William George Barr - - -	———		
Alfred William Basham - -	———		
George Matthew Westwood -		———	
James Toope - - -		———	
West Marylebone Progressive Club - - - -		———	———

Plan No. 44.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Marylebone, in the county of London, together with 11 houses thereon lying between the Stephen Street Board School premises and Great James Street, with frontages to Stafford Street, George Street, and Great James Street, and containing 8,275 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 44, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 12, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Rev. Sir Talbot Hastings Baker, Bart. - - - -	———		
Mr. Lord - - -			———
Mr. Flinn - - -			———
Mr. Burn - - -			———
Mr. Allen - - -			———
Mr. Andrew Ryan - -			———
Mr. G. Parrott - - -			———

Plan No. 45.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Marylebone, in the county of London, together with five houses thereon, Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35, Nightingale Street, and five houses, Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13, Samford Street, and containing 5,400 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 45, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 10, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and

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occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Viscount Portman - -	———		
Fredk. Putnam - - -		———	
James Hunswick - -		———	
John J. Owen - - -		———	
Edward Harvey - - -		———	
Mrs. Eliza Congreve - -		———	
Edmund Flynn - - -		———	
James Stephens - - -			
Mrs. Augusta Cracknell - -		———	
Messrs. J. & J. Allen - -		———	
Mrs. Annie Cracknell - -		———	
Walter Waters - - -		———	
George Butcher - - -			———
Joseph Turner - - -			———
Wm. Sadler - - -			———
Hy. Willm. Burge - -			———
Wm. Pearman - - -			———
John Smith - - -			———
Mr. Smith - - -			———
Mr. Foster - - -			———
Mr. Walker - - -			———
Chas. Scott - - -			———
Geo. Mitchell - - -			———
Mrs. Carty - - -			———
Mr. Galloway - - -			———
Mr. Connett - - -			———
William Brown - - -			———
The Misses Shaw - -			———

Plan No. 46.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. George the Martyr, in the county of London, together with four houses thereon, Nos. 54, 56, 58, and 60, Westminster Bridge Road, and containing 6,240 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 46, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 4, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
J. O. Whatley - - - -	———		
Francis Arthur Davis - -	———		
Stephen Swinford - -		———	

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Thomas Pears Byron - -		———	
Mrs. Anne Hedger - -		———	
Wm. Frederick Towell - -		———	
John Edward Reed - -			———
Chas. Lillystone - - -			———
Mrs. Emily Watson - -			———
Mrs. Harding - - -			———
Mrs. Margaret Wright - -			———
Mrs. Mills - - -			———
Frederick Perry - -			———
Chas. Fredk. Hall - -			———

Plan No. 47.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with six houses thereon, Nos. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26, East Lane, adjoining the East Lane Board School premises, and containing 6,965 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 47, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 6, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
School Board for London -	———		

Plan No. 49.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with three houses thereon, Nos. 13, 15, and 17, Neckinger Road, and nine houses, Nos. 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 18, Limasol Street, the whole adjoining the Neckinger Road Board School premises, and containing 6,800 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 49, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 12, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their

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appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Mrs. E. A. Doughty	———		
John Henry Heath		———	
Mrs. Ann Watson		———	
Mrs. Eleanor Whittington		———	———
Henry Wood			———
James Belcher			———
Alfred Brett			———
Richard Sydenham			———
Wm. Taylor			———
Hy. Jaggers			———
Hy. Sydenham			———
Wm. Dennis			———
John Westere			———
John Hackstep			———
Mr. Leonard			———

Plan No. 50.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with eight houses, Nos. 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, Longley Street, adjoining the Monnow Road Board School premises, and containing 11,800 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 50, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 8, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Baron Kinnaird	———		
Seymour Pleydell Bouverie	———		
Jas. Robert West	———		
Ed. W. Lipscomb		———	———
Chas. Hy. Hearn		———	
W. H. Williamson		———	
Mrs. Rebecca Clark		———	———
Hy. Roberts		———	———
Hy. Goodwin		———	———
Fredk. Geo. Marley		———	
Wm. Berridge			———
Mr. Pillow			———
George Shade			———
Ep. Russell Dakin			———

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Plan No. 51.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with nine houses, Nos. 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, and 256, Rolls Road, and including the warehouses, stabling, and premises in the rear of same, and containing 23,380 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 51, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 9, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
School Board for London -	———		
Lord Llangattock - -	———		
Michael Driscoll - -		———	
Walter Diver - - -			
William Neale - - -		———	
Philip Joseph Reynolds - -		———	
Joseph Diver - - -			———
Jabez Hole - - -			———
W. Mitchell - - -			———
W. Pettifer - - -			———
Francis Sanderson (Sargison) -			———
Richard Nix - - -			———
Frederick Antill - -			———
Henry Bell - - -			———

Plan No. 52.

A piece of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with the house thereon, No. 59, Lindsey Street, adjoining the Alexis Street Board School premises, and containing 1,335 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 52, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owner, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Lord Llangattock -	———		
George Daniel Starkey Olivant -		———	
Edgar Frederick Cross -		———	
School Board for London -		———	———

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Plan No. 53.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Bermondsey, in the county of London, together with eight houses thereon, Nos. 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, and 74, Drummond Road, adjoining the Keeton Road Board School premises, and containing 14,735 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 53, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 8, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Mrs. Susan Howard - -	—		
Mrs. Susanna Rawlinson -		—	
John Bowers - - -		—	
Wm. Charles Grace - -		—	
Samuel Edward Stuchbury -		—	—
William Edward Butcher -		—	—
William George Kent - -		—	
Arthur Frederick Kent - -		—	
Albert Edward Kent - -		—	
Charles William Fox - -			—
Benjamin Jewson - -			—
Robert Henry Thomas Cudd -			—
Alfred William Johnson -			—
Henry John Latimer - -			—
Samuel Clare Walker - -			—
Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Coal Club - - - -			—

Plan No. 54.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the hamlet of Mile End Old Town, in the county of London, together with eight houses thereon, Nos. 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40,, 42, and 44, Portman Place, and 14 houses, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, North Square, with storage premises, and with the roadway lying between the last-mentioned houses, and containing 17,440 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 54, and distinguished by the

Nos. 1 to 24, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Henry Moore			
Job Aungier			
Mr. Harvey			
Walter Watson (H. Walker)			
Samuel Fuller			
Wm. Jones			
Chas. Henry Hale			
Geo. Townsend			
Wm. Last			
John Moore			
Wm. Drawbridge			
Wm. Richard Slater			
John Eggleton			
Alfred Goodey			
Alfred Bayley			
Alfred Robinson			
Mrs. Annie Price			
Wm. Reynolds			
Wm. Whiffin			
Benjn. Jas. Bryan			
Mrs. Green			
Charles Price			
W. Fredk. Buser			

Plan No. 55.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Ann, Limehouse, in the county of London, together with five houses thereon, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, Turners Place, together with the portion of roadway lying between the above-mentioned houses, and containing 2,170 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 55, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 6, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners, lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows:—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
James Edward Nelson			
George Thomas Tyerman			
Daniel Scanes			
R. Munro			
Geo. Parker			

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Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
John Hill			
W. Wall			
Thomas Alfred Gutteridge			
Richard Johnson			
John Vaughan			

Plan No. 56.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Ann, Limehouse, in the county of London, together with 10 houses thereon, Nos. 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32, Acland Street, and four houses, Nos. 69, 71, 73, and 75, Walker Street, and containing 23,660 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 56, and distinguished by the Nos. 1 to 14, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The name of the owners, lessees and occupiers, of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Rev. Arthur B. Cotton			
Sir Edmund Hay Currie			
Reginald B. Dyke-Acland			
Thos. Truscott			
Mrs. Ann Salter			
John Smith Clark			
George Abraham Newman			
Thos. Hunt			
Jas. Deare			
John Henry Veysey			
Wm. Chance			
John Hy. Cook			
Mme. Arséne Begion			
Sarah White			
Roderick Mackenzie			
Mr. Charles			
Samuel Dyson			
James Newman			
William Bond			
Frederick Stenning			
Henry John Schenck			
Samuel Cheaney			
James Bell			
William Garner			

Plan No. 57.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Leonard, Bromley, in the county of London, and adjoining the eastern boundary of the Bromley Hall Road Board School premises, and containing 11,790 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 57, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The name of the owner and occupier of the said piece of land and hereditaments is as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
John Abbott - - -	———		———

Plan No. 58.

A piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Shenfield, in the county of Essex, on the south side of and fronting Cornsland Road, and adjoining on the north and east the land and premises used for the purposes of the Brentwood Industrial School, and containing 27,810 square feet or thereabouts, as the same is described in the Plan No. 58, and distinguished by the No. 1, together with all and singular the messuages and tenements and buildings (if any) now standing or being thereon, with their appurtenances. The names of the owners lessees, and occupiers of the said piece or parcel of land and hereditaments are as follows :—

Name.	Owner.	Lessee.	Occupier.
Mary Ann Downing - -	———		
James Wynn Downing - -	———		
Charles Downing - - -	———		
Mary Downing - - -	———		

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PROVIDING FOR

A Second Ballot in cases where no candidate has received a majority of the recorded votes, and for the payment of returning Officers' Expenses out of the Rates. A.D. 1894.

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Second poll in single-member constituency.

1.—(1.) Where at a parliamentary election held for the return of one member a candidate obtains more votes than any other candidate, but not an absolute majority of the votes given at the poll, such candidate shall not be elected, and a second poll shall be held not less than *five* nor more than *eight* clear days after the first poll.

(2.) At such second poll no person shall be a candidate except the two candidates who obtained the largest number of votes at the first poll.

Second poll in double-member constituency.

2.—(1.) Where at a parliamentary election held for the return of two members a candidate is one of the two who obtains the largest number of votes at the poll, but does not obtain votes from an absolute majority of the electors voting at the poll, such candidate shall not be elected, and a second poll shall be held not less than *five* nor more than *eight* clear days after the first poll.

(2.) At such second poll no person shall be a candidate except those persons, to a number double the number of members to be elected, who obtained the largest number of votes at the first poll.

Case of equality of votes.

3. Where at a first poll two or more candidates obtain the same number of votes, and that number would be sufficient to entitle one

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of such candidates to be a candidate at the second poll, both or all of such candidates may be candidates at the second poll.

Time of second poll after recount or scrutiny.

4. Where a second poll under this Act becomes necessary in consequence of a recount or scrutiny held under an election petition, the second election shall be held not less than *five* nor more than *eight* clear days after the day when the Speaker receives the judges' certificate of the result of the petition.

Death of candidate between first and second polls.

5.—(1.) In case of the death between the first and second polls of any candidate who but for this Act would have been elected, there shall be no second poll, but there shall be a new election.

(2.) In case of the death between the first and second polls of any other candidate, whose death leaves no more candidates for the second poll than there are members to be elected, there shall be no second poll, but the candidate who but for this Act would have been elected shall be deemed to have been elected as if this Act had not passed.

Returning officers' expenses.

6.—(1.) The charges of the returning officer at a parliamentary election shall not be paid by the candidates, but shall be defrayed out of the rates as herein provided.

(2.) The returning officer shall lay an account of his charges before the revising barrister at the next convenient court after the election held by the revising barrister within the area for which the election took place, such court to be fixed by the revising barrister.

(3.) The revising barrister shall apportion the total amount of such charges as allowed by him among the parishes in such area in proportion to the number of registered electors in each parish, and shall give the returning officer a certificate of the sum due from each parish, and the sums so certified as due shall be paid to the returning officer by the overseers of the respective parishes out of the first moneys thereafter collected by them for the relief of the poor.

Construction and short title

7.—(1.) This Act shall be construed as one with the Ballot Act, 1872.

(2.) This Act may be cited as the Second Ballot and Returning Officers' Expenses Act, 1894.

Elections (Second Ballot and Returning Officers' Expenses).

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Providing for a Second Ballot in cases where no candidate has received a majority of the recorded votes, and for the payment of Returning Officers' Expenses out of the Rates.

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TO

Confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Barrow-in-Furness, Buxton, Chepping Wycombe, Chesterfield, St. Helens, and West Hartlepool. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS under the authority of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Board of Trade have made the several Provisional Orders set out in the schedule to this Act: 45 & 46 Vict. c. 56. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 12.

And whereas a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the authority of the said Acts is not of any validity or force whatever until the confirmation thereof by Act of Parliament:

And whereas it is expedient that the several Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the authority of the said Acts, as set out in the schedule to this Act, be confirmed by Act of Parliament:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1894. Short title.

2. The several Orders, as set out in the schedule to this Act, shall be and the same are hereby confirmed, and all the provisions thereof, in manner and form as they are set out in the said schedule, shall, from and after the passing of this Act, have full validity and effect. Orders in schedule confirmed.

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SCHEDULE.

List of Orders.

1. Barrow-in-Furness.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Barrow-in-Furness.

2. Buxton.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Buxton Local Board.

3. Chepping Wycombe.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chepping Wycombe.

4. Chesterfield.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chesterfield.

5. St. Helens.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of St. Helens.

6. West Hartlepool.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of West Hartlepool.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Barrow-in-Furness in respect of the Borough of Barrow-in-Furness.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Barrow-in-Furness Corporation Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

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The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Barrow-in-Furness.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows :—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose ;

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply ; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

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Works.

Power for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a

notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being

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at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all

respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so

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long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or

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securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions

of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in the case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners

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affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the

Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings. Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commence-

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ment of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all

persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in the case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

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Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers if required by them so to do to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given

has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

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Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows :—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them ;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters ; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertaker's works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or (as the case may be) after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric

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inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments

of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

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Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measuremen thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with

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the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital money.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purpose of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

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Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or engineer shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises naming the premises without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time (that is to say) Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think

necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any Company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such Company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

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(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

And such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the "London Gazette."

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the Order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

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Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said

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court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same shall be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade, &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be

recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section 265 of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply :—The Borough of Barrow-in-Furness as constituted at the commencement of this Order.

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of Streets and Parts of Streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing Mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order.

Ramsden Square.

The portion of Abbey Road which extends from Ramsden Square to the entrance to the railway station.

The portion of Dalton Road which extends from Abbey Road to Duke Street.

The portion of Duke Street which extends from Dalton Road to Ramsden Square.

Cavendish Square.

Cornwallis Street.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of Streets not repairable by the Local Authority Railways and Tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(*a.*) *Streets:*—

None.

(*b.*) *Railways:*—

None.

(*c.*) *Tramways:*—

The tramways of the Barrow-in-Furness Tramways Company Limited.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

SECTION 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

SECTION 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals (that is to say) such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Buxton Local Board in respect of the Urban Sanitary District of Buxton in the County of Derby.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Buxton Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric

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lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Local Board for the district of Buxton in the county of Derby.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

System and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such

regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connection is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be

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or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade gives such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connection with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such material and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

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As to streets not repairable by local authority or county council railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively

as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid

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except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or

imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively

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as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not

be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be

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subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which

(if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that

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behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Orders may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order.

Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of their area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains

to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and con-

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ditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say)—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any

other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

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Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electrical inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply

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of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection,

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

Report of results of testing.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Expenses of electric inspector.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter." Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed

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or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of

difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

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Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands required for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows :—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices, &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

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Services of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively :—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade ;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office ;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council ;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority ;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company ;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company ;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a*) the area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b*) the period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c*) the rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d*) a general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

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(*e*) the address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or without such consent or approval as is required by this Order have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the

regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

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All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act, 1875.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Provision as to general Acts.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the Urban Sanitary District of Buxton, in the County of Derby, as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of Streets and parts of Streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order.

Bakewell Street.
Bridge Street.
Spring Gardens.
The Quadrant.
Station Road.
Manchester Road (south-east of the Devonshire Hospital).
St. John's Road (east of the theatre entrance).
Devonshire Road (south-east of Devonshire Park Chapel).
Terrace Road.
Market Place.
High Street.
The Crescent.
Hartington Road (north-east of Fountain Street).

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THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of Streets not repairable by the Local Authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(*a.*) *Streets*:—
The Crescent.

(*b.*) *Railways*:—
None.

(*c.*) *Tramways*:—
None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

SECTION 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

SECTION 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Chepping Wycombe Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean an electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

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The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines.

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Chepping Wycombe acting by the Council as the Urban Sanitary Authority for the district of the Borough.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured or edged with red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such

regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the 15th day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects

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any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

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(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any

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time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance

with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except

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where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or

imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or persons for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan

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so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a

penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes other than service pipes or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty

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not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course

nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or

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part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order. Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be

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bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arise between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

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Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situated within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may (after they have given a supply of energy for any premises) by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or

occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Under-

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takers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case should be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practical post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf

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made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

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Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above-mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under

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this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as "a certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

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Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the

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service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made and deposited.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

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Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers

any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Orde revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator as the case may be such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

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(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

And such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the "London Gazette."

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by Order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the Order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or persons as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

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Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties

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the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal

Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision for general Acts.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the municipal borough of Chepping Wycombe as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order:—

High Street.
Easton Street.
London Road.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a.*) *Streets:*

None.

(*b.*) *Railways:*

The following level crossings of the Great Western Railway—

The footways leading from Oxford Road to a field called Bell Field and from Oxford Road to Downley.

The crossing of the Railway near Duke Street from Saffron Platt.

(*c.*) *Tramways:*

None.

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In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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CHESTERFIELD.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chesterfield, in respect of the Borough of Chesterfield, in the County of Derby.

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Chesterfield (Corporation) Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers, but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected :

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined :

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street :

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof :

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively :

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade :

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scale as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Chesterfield.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured blue.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows :—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such

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regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon

land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire;

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(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same;

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan;

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act;

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law

in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority or county council railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire ;

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof ;

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly ;

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible ;

(*e.*) Where no requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications

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thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as hereinbefore mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works;

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act;

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except

where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency;

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged;

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable;

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice;

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice;

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances;

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily;

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Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alterations of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alteration the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible;

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid

to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided;

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made;

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable;

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them;

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily;

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any such alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given;

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provision of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners

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affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all

owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section as far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any

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wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement

of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by

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such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or per-centage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the Order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

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Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or

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occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may reasonably be anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board of Trade shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

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The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

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Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of the electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any 10 consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall think proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

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Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by an electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply

(according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except where otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

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The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meters at all reasonable times Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

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50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

Maps.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Map of area of supply to be made.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys Received.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of

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rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking;

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes;

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes;

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital;

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking

under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

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Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provision where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such person such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without any prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers, &c.

Transfer of powers, &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a

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(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

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Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Nature and amount of security.

63. All things required or authorised under this order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has

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been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respects of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceeding for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the borough of Chesterfield in the county of Derby as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of Streets and parts of Streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order :—

Market Place.
New Square.
Low Pavement.
High Street.
Packer's Row.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of Streets not repairable by the Local Authority Railways and Tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order :—

(*a.*) *Streets :*
None.

(*b.*) *Railways :*
None.

(*c.*) *Tramways :*
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FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of St. Helens in respect of the Borough of St. Helens.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the St. Helens Corporation Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as the "principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers;

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The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of St. Helens.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regu-

lations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the 15th day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said 15th day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week, and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that

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the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section 13 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

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(*c*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same ;

(*d*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan ;

(*e*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act ;

(*f*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order

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or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(*b*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof;

(*c*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(*d*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible;

(*e*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(*f*.) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works;

(*g*.) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer

to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act;

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency;

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged;

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties

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as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable;

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice;

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice;

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances;

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such

body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(*b*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(*c*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible;

(*d*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(*e*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided;

(*f*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than

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twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made;

(*g*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable;

(*h*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them;

(*i*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily;

(*j*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in

this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds. Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal

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company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as

aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of three years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of two and a half years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such

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conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by

them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time

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after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the

Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given

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any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows :—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been

occasioned by or in connection with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connection with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or (as the case may be) after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places

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within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of

Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provision of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as "a certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and

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connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

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48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

Maps.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Map of area of supply to be made.

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Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys Received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities, or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the

Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital money.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

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(*f*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time (that is to say) Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such work with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may

without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

And such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

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(5) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the Order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric

line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

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All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act, 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Provision as to general Acts.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The borough of St. Helens as constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

Street throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of three years after the commencement of this Order:—

Corporation Street from Hardshaw Street to Shaw Street.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a*) Streets: None.

(*b*) Railways:

The following level crossings of the London and North-Western Railway Company:—

Crossing over Gerard Street.

Crossing over Fleet Lane of the Blackbrook Branch of the London and North-Western Railway.

Crossing over Fleet Lane by Ashtons Green Colliery.

Crossing over Blackbrook Road.

Crossing over Havannah Road.

Crossing over Mill Lane.

Crossing over Grove Street.

(*c*) Tramways:

The tramways of the St. Helens and District Tramways Company situate within the area of supply.

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FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter: – For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of West Hartlepool in respect of the Borough of West Hartlepool in the County of Durham.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the West Hartlepool Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean an electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean an electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

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The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to 88 feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to 11 feet or to such other scale as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of West Hartlepool.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the principal Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved of in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such

regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and efficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or

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be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

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(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove of the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fails to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he or they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council and the foregoing provisions of this section shall apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

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As to streets not repairable by local authorities railways and tramways.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or council the county or over or under any railway or tramway the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway (as the case may be) or the owners of such canal (in this section referred to as the "owners") describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications

thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as hereinbefore mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or with any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where any such body or person (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except

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where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice on complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or

imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as

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may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily

penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty

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not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course

nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains hereinbefore specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street

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within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section 13 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may revoke this Order as to the whole or (with the consent of the Undertakers) any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be

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bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and erecting or laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the Order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

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Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

Supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least three years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may (after they have given a supply of energy for any premises) by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become

invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

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Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any three consumers or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connection with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

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Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the Court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the Court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector

appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

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Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings,

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the

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method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines. The said map and sections shall be made on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge

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for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices, &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or (if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them) as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved

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by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any Company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such Company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to made;

(*b*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such Company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the Undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the Order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said Company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said Company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade

regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric lines above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have

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come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

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65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Notice of approval or consent of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Recovery and application of penalties.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Provision as to general Acts.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the Municipal Borough of West Hartlepool as constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order:—

Church Street.
Lynn Street.
Musgrave Street.
Stockton Street.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets and roads not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a.*) *Streets*—

Mainsforth Terrace.
Hart Road.
Victoria Terrace.
Oxford Street.
Burn Road.
Lauder Street.
Avenue Road.
Clarence Road.
Cleveland Road.
Park Road.
York Road.
Grange Road.
Elwick Road.

(*b.*) *Railways.*

None.

(*c.*) *Tramways.*

The Hartlepool Street Tramways.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule—

The expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section one of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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To confirm certain Provisional Orders m by the Board of Trade under the Ele Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating Barrow in Furness, Buxton, Chepp Wycombe, Chesterfield, St. Helens, West Hartlepool.

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Confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Grimsby, Harrow, Leyton, Monmouth, Peterborough, and St. Austell. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS under the authority of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Board of Trade have made the several Provisional Orders set out in the schedule to this Act annexed: 45 & 46 Vict. c. 56. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 12.

And whereas a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the authority of the said Acts is not of any validity or force whatever until the confirmation thereof by Act of Parliament:

And whereas it is expedient that the several Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the authority of the said Acts, as set out in the schedule to this Act, be confirmed by Act of Parliament:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1894. Short title.

2. The several Orders, as set out in the schedule to this Act, shall be and the same are hereby confirmed, and all the provisions thereof, in manner and form as they are set out in the said schedule, shall from and after the passing of this Act have full validity and effect. Orders in schedule confirmed.

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SCHEDULE.

LIST OF ORDERS.

1. GRIMSBY.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Grimsby.
2. HARROW.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Harrow Local Board.
3. LEYTON.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Leyton Local Board.
4. MONMOUTH.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Monmouth.
5. PETERBOROUGH.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, Citizens, and Burgesses of the City and Borough of Peterborough.
6. ST. AUSTELL.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to Veale & Co., Limited.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Grimsby in respect of the Borough of Grimsby in the County of Lincoln.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Grimsby (Corporation) Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers.

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The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Grimsby in the county of Lincoln.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured or edged with green.

Nature and mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to

such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers nor except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land

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dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(A) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire In calculating the above mentioned period of one month no part of the month of August shall be included;

(B) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove of the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

(C) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same;

(D) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan;

(E) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act;

(F) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at

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any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority or county council railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(A) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(B) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof;

(C) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such questions unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(D) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic as far as may be possible;

(E) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively

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as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(F) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works;

(G) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act;

(H) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:

(A) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or

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discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency;

(B) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged;

(C) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable;

(D) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice;

(E) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice;

(F) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances;

(G) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the

execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(A) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(B) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such questions unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(C) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible;

(D) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as

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may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(E) At any time before the operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided;

(F) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made;

(G) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable;

(H) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them;

(I) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily;

(J) Any owners may if they think fit by any s atement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where the operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given;

(K) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators

shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company (as the case may be) and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied

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with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on

the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down streets specifi in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

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(3) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisitions shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for the supply of energy from the distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for

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the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or per-centage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly. In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with

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which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

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Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

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(2) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(A) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(B) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(C) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

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Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade, and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector

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for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid. Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Reading of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as the "value of the supply", shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration

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is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses in connection therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings

and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers' and the consumer's terminals.

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Map of area of supply to be made and kept for inspection.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purpose of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking;

(2) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes;

(3) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes;

(4) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital;

(5) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year when not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

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Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively :—

(A) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade ;

(B) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office ;

(C) In the case of any county council the office of such council ;

(D) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority ;

(E) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company ;

(F) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company ;

(G) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:

(*a*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

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(*e*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale.

And such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised

to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

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All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

Costs of application for approval or consent of Board of Trade.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies

and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of s. 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Saving rights of the Crown in the foreshore.

70. Nothing in this Order shall authorise the Undertakers to take use or in any manner interfere with any portion of the shore or bed of the sea or of any river channel creek bay or estuary or any right in respect thereof belonging to the Queen's most Excellent Majesty in right of her crown and under the management of the Board of Trade without the previous consent in writing of the Board of Trade on behalf of Her Majesty (which consent the Board of Trade may give) neither shall anything in this Order contained extend to take away prejudice diminish or alter any of the estates rights privileges powers or authorities vested in or enjoyed or exerciseable by the Queen's Majesty.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceeding for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

72. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The Borough of Grimsby in the County of Lincoln as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order

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SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order:—

George Street.
Town Hall Square.
Town Hall Street.
Victoria Street South.
Central Market.
Victoria Street North.
Cleethorpe Road to Borough Boundary (Park Street).
Park Street.
Oxford Street.
Albert Street.
Victor Street.
Eleanor Street.
Freeman Street.
Freeman Street Market.
Hainton Street.
Welholme Road.
Scartho Road from Nun's corner going north.
Bargate.
Deansgate.
Church Lane.
Old Market Place.
Flottergate.
South Parade.
Yarborough Street.
Corporation Road.
Victoria Street West.
West Saint Mary's Gate.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(A) Streets:—

None.

(B) Railways:—

The following level crossings:—

The Manchester Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway at Cleethorpes Road Holme Street Pasture Street Garden Street Wellowgate Little Field Lane and Corporation Road;

The Great Northern Railway at Pasture Street Garden Street Welholme Road and Weelsby Road.

(C) Tramways:—

The tramways belonging to the Great Grimsby Street Tramways Company.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand ampères flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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HARROW ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 to the Harrow Local Board in respect of the Urban Sanitary District of Harrow in the County of Middlesex.

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Harrow Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "county council" shall mean the County Council of Middlesex:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street.

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detailed plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Harrow Local Board being the urban sanitary authority for the district of Harrow in the county of Middlesex.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such

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regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for ensuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions if any of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order: Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways

may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use: Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem

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fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds: Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority or county

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or

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council railways tramways and canals.

across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

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(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds: Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served. Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers

shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds: Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

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As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves

and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds: Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

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Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company (as the case may be) and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds: Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works. If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

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If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirement so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings: Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith

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apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid, the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice

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on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or per-centage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet

from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

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Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

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Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

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Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by

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whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court shall direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

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43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts: Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or if he desires to hire such meter may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as hereinafter provided.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times: Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to

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and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times: Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made and deposited.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made

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sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof.

The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any

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time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Services of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade:

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office:

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council:

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority:

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(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company:

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company:

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Act with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

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If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made.

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made.

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer.

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be

specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

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(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (with such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default

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in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

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64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

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Saving clause for Postmaster General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provisions as general Acts.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the urban sanitary district of Harrow in the county of Middlesex as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order:—

High Street (from Roxeth Hill to Mr. H. O. D. Davidson's house at Grove Hill).

Church Hill (including The Grove).

Peterborough Road (from the top to Northwick Lodge).

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THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order :—

(*a.*) Streets :—

So much of the following as are situate within the area of supply :

Alma Road.
Angel Road.
The Avenue (Roxborough Park).
Brickfields Road.
Byron Road.
Churchyard (Parish)—path through.
Green Lanes (Sudbury).
Harrow Park—roads through.
Harrow School new Music Room—lane to.
Headstone Road.
Kingsfield.
Lyon Road (Greenhill).
Mount Park Road.
Roxborough Park Road and path to church.
Sherwood Road.
South-hill Avenue.
Springfield Road.
St. John's Church Road.
Stanley Road.
Valentine Road.
Victoria Terrace.
Wellington Terrace.
West Hill.
Woodlands—road at.

(*b.*) Railways :—

None.

(*c.*) Tramways :—

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule—

The expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand ampères flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter :—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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LEYTON LOCAL BOARD ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Leyton Local Board in respect of the Local Government District of Leyton in the county of Essex.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Leyton Local Board Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers;

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Leyton Local Board for the district of Leyton in the county of Essex.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

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(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

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Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for the purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(A.) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire;

(B.) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

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(C.) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same;

(D.) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan;

(E.) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act;

(F.) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority or county council railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local

authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(A.) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire ;

(B.) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof ;

(C.) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly ;

(D.) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible ;

(E.) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties ;

(F.) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works ;

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(G.) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act;

(H.) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(A.) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency;

(B.) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged;

(C.) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable;

(D.) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice;

(E.) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice;

(F.) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances;

(G.) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges

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sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(A.) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(B.) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(C.) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible;

(D.) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(E.) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided;

(F.) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made;

(G.) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable;

(H.) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them;

(I.) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily;

(J.) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given;

(K.) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency

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and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable

under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works. If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the

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purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of three years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of two years and six months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

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(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section 13 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order: Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade

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specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this

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Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him

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by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or

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Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement):—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(A.) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(B.) The certifying and examination of meters; and

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(c.) Such other duties in relation to the Undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connection with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy.

by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments

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of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise

agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the parties so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or if he desires to hire such meter may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing

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testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall order also by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire

for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Measurement thereof.

Maps.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Map of area of supply to be made and deposited.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

Application of revenue.

1. In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties

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and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking;

2. In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes;

3. In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes;

4. In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital;

5. In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the Undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the Undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the Undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys

received by them in respect of the Undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(A.) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(B.) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(C.) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(D.) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(E.) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(F.) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(G.) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any Bank Holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

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Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of

supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(A.) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(B.) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(C.) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(D.) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(E.) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisement and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said Company or persons respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

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Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (A) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (B) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (C) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the Undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given

shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the costs of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

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Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of supply.

The whole of the Local Government District of Leyton as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of three years after the commencement of this Order:—

Lane leading from the Sewage Disposal Works adjoining Ruckholt's Farm Leyton to Quarter Mile Lane.

Quarter Mile Lane.

Leyton Road.
High Street Leyton.
Grove Green Road.
Union Lane Railway Bridge and roads leading to and therefrom.
Union Lane.
Leytonstone Road, and
High Road Leytonstone.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a.*) Streets—

Albert Road.
Albany Road.
Aylmer Road.
Belton Road.
Buckingham Road.
Balmoral Road.
Cheneys Road.
Claude Road.
Cambrian Road.
Carlson Road.
Colville Road.
Chichester Road.
Dacre Road.
Eve Road.
Elm Park Road.
Forest Road.
Francis Road.
Faraday Road (from Huxley Road to Leyton Road).
Goodall Road.
Hartley Road.
Kingsdown Road.
King Street.
Lily Road.
Lindsey Road.
Leybourne Road.
Leyspring Road.
Leslie Road.
Myrtle Road.
Morley Road.
Malta Road.
Maud Road.
Norman Street (from Eagle Terrace to Short Road).
Osborne Road.
Pearcroft Road.
Palamos Road.
Rosebank Road.
Station Road.
Salisbury Road.
St. Mary's Road.
Skelton Lane.
Stanley Road.
Thornton Road.
Upper Faraday Road.
Violet Road.
Woodville Road.
Wragley Road.
Warren Road.
Waterloo Road.
Webster Road.

(*b.*) Railways—

None.

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(*c.*) Tramways—

The Tramways of the North Metropolitan Tramway Company.

The Tramways of the Lea Bridge Leyton and Walthamstow Tramway Company.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

SECTION 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

SECTION 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

MONMOUTH ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

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Monmouth.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Monmouth in respect of the Borough of Monmouth in the County of Monmouth.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as "The Monmouth Electric Lighting Order 1894."

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purpose of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean an electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean an electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

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The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to the vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming the Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Monmouth.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon included within a green boundary line.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems of mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the principal Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved of in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for

insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose: and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply: and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of the land so used by them shall not at any time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Power for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or

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be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such part thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect :—

(*a.*) One month before the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove of the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he or they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council and the foregoing provisions of this section shall apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

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As to streets not repairable by local authority railways and tramways.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or the county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway as the case may be or the owners of such canal (in this section referred to as "the owners") describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be executed and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing work of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds. Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority may give notice of desire to break up streets on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where any such body or person (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested.

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or

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neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice on complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred

or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alteration the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or persons for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed alteration together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as

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may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court

having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes other than service pipes or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" not less than three days notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owners thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable

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under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purposes of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owners of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the current intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose

of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any differences arise between any such owner and the Undertaker with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom

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such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for the supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and erecting or laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrators' award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or per-centage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed by the Order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owners or occupiers of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of applying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the

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possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric line as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus thereto are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any such consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises. Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum power except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by

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one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspecting and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them.

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu

of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connection with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of the Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connection with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident Such notice shall be sent by the carliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains. Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid. Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply and on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this

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Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and

deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any such consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter

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and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or if he desires to hire such meter may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as hereinafter provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply of energy is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meters and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Difference as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made and deposited.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be made on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all

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reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (A) borrowed money (B) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (C) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time

arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed ten pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any difference of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively—

(A.) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade.

(B.) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office.

(C.) In the case of the county council the office of such council.

(D.) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority.

(E.) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company.

(F.) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

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A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street in which any works of the Undertakers have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator as the case may be such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as

they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars :—

(A.) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made.

(B.) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made.

(C.) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer.

(D.) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made and

(E.) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the "London Gazette."

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the

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undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities (if any).

General.

Remedying system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (A) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (B) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (C) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary be shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the

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applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of consent and approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. When the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees and expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Clause as to River Wye and tributaries.

70. If any works shall be constructed for the purpose of supplying water from the River Wye or its tributaries or channels as a motive power for or in connection with the undertaking the Undertakers shall before using any such water make or fix for the protection of the fisheries of the said river and its tributaries and channels and thereafter maintain such fishpasses gratings appliances channels and outfalls in such form and construction and

in such places to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade in all respects as the said Board may direct.

If the Undertakers

(*a*) Fail to make or fix such fishpasses gratings appliances channels and outfalls in manner aforesaid or

(*b*) At any time after the making or fixing thereof fail to restore and repair such fishpasses gratings appliances channels and outfalls or any of them to the satisfaction of the said Board within two months from the date of a notice to restore and repair the same to be given to the Undertakers by the said Board

they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every day during which such default continues.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

72. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefit of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the municipal borough of Monmouth as constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order:—

Wyebridge Street from Wye Bridge to the Gas Works S. James Street S. James Square Whitecross Street S. Mary Street Almshouse Street Glendower Street S. John Street New Dixton Road from Monk Street to Laurel Bank Villa Monk Street from Whitecross Street to the Workhouse Agincourt Square Priory Street for a distance of 180 yards from Agincourt Square Monnow Street Drybridge Street from Cinderhill Street to Drybridge House Redbrook Road from Wye Bridge to the Generating Station Forge Road from Monk Street to the Old Forge.

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List of streets and roads not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a.*) STREETS.

Redbrook Road from Wye Bridge to the Generating Station Troy Road from Port Mahon to Troy Railway Station Rockfield Road from the Britannia Inn to Watery Lane Drybridge Street from Drybridge House to Bailey Pit Lane Wonastow Road from Drybridge House to the Naphtha Works New Dixton Road from Monk Street as far as Laurel-bank Villa Hereford Road from the Old Turnpike Gate House to the Workhouse Worcester Street Wye Bridge Monnow Bridge.

(*b.*) RAILWAYS.

None.

(*c.*) TRAMWAYS.

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of 1,000 amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

SECTION 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to 20 units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over 20 units eightpence.

SECTION 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

PETERBOROUGH ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen Citizens and Burgesses of the City and Borough of Peterborough in respect of the City and Borough of Peterborough.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Peterborough Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines:

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The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected:

The expression "railway" shall include any tram road that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined:

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the mayor aldermen citizens and burgesses of the city and borough of Peterborough acting by the council as the urban sanitary authority for the district of the city and borough.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order. Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use. Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level:

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Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(A) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire:

(B) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove of the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers:

(c) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(d) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(e) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act.

(f) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority or

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or

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county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(A) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(B) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(C) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(D) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(E) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as hereinbefore mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(F) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

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(G) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(H) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(A) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(B) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers

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shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(c) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(d) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(e) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(f) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(g) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

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As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(A) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(B) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(C) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(D) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(E) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where

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any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(F) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(G) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(H) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(I) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(J) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(K) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

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Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line

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or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner

for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid:

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration:

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in a manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act

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1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from the distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on

all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section or unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say),

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in

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the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

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Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any such consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers

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shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order:

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid

to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this

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Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from the distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

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38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

Report of results of testing.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

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Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as hereinafter provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to

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and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made and deposited.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other

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than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows :—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the

undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows :—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes :

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade ;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office ;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council ;

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(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the

Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such

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period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade being guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such

period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

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A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any tests or inquiry which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

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69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or committed by them.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Provision as to general Acts.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the municipal borough of Peterborough as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and part of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order.

Bridge Street.
Narrow Street.
Market Place.
Long Causeway.
Midgate.
Westgate (from Long Causeway to Boroughbury).
Church Street.
Cowgate (from Church Street to the east end of the Old Grave Yard).

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THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(*a.*) STREETS :—

None.

(*b.*) RAILWAYS :—

The following level crossings :—

1. Of the Great Northern Railway and the Midland Railway between Cowgate and Thorpe Road.
2. Of the Great Eastern Railway the London and North Western Railway and the Midland Railway at Bridge End.

(*c.*) TRAMWAYS :—

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of 1,000 ampères flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

SECTION 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter :—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

SECTION 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section one of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

ST. AUSTELL ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

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St. Austell.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to Veale & Co. Limited in respect of the district of the St. Austell Local Board in the County of Cornwall.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the St. Austell Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order:—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers and unless otherwise specially agreed with the local authority to the public lamps but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "county council" shall mean the county council of Cornwall;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers;

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The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraph line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" and "Third Schedule" shall mean the First Second and Third Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Address and Description of the Undertakers.

Address and description of Undertakers.

4. The Undertakers for the purposes of this Order are Veale & Co. Limited being a company registered under the Companies Acts 1862 to 1890 with limited liability and having its registered offices at Menacuddle Street St. Austell in the County of Cornwall.

Provided that if the undertaking or any part thereof is at any time purchased by the local authority in accordance with the provisions of this Order or of the principal Act such local authority shall from the date of such purchase be the Undertakers in relation to such undertaking or part thereof for the purposes of this Order in lieu of the Company above mentioned.

The Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire the undertaking of or associate themselves with any other company or person supplying energy under any license Provisional Order or special Act unless the Undertakers are authorised by Parliament to do so.

If in contravention of this section the Undertakers purchase or acquire any such Undertaking or associate themselves with such other company or person

the Board of Trade may if they think fit revoke this Order upon such terms as they may think just.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Prohibition of supply beyond area of supply.

6. The undertakers shall not at any time after the commencement of this Order supply energy or (except for the purposes of this Order) erect or lay down any electric lines or works beyond the area of supply otherwise than under the authority of Parliament or under a license granted by the Board of Trade under the principal Act.

If the Undertakers supply energy or erect or lay down electric lines or works in contravention of this section the Board of Trade may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Security and Accounts.

Security for execution of works.

7. The Undertakers within a period of six months after the commencement of this Order and before exercising any of the powers by this Order conferred on them in relation to the execution of works shall show to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade that they are in a position fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed upon them by this Order throughout the area of supply.

If the Undertakers fail to show to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade within any such period as aforesaid that they are in such a position as above mentioned the Board of Trade may after considering any representations which the Local Authority may make revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as they may think just.

Audit of Undertakers' accounts.

8. The annual statement of accounts of the Undertaking before being published as provided by Section 9 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 shall so long as the local authority are not the Undertakers be examined and audited by such competent and impartial person as the Board of Trade shall appoint and the remuneration of the auditor shall be such as the Board of Trade shall direct and the same and all expenses incurred by him in or about the execution of his duties to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall approve shall be paid by the Undertakers on demand and shall be recoverable summarily as a civil debt.

The Undertakers shall give to the auditor his clerks and assistants access to such of the books and documents relating to the Undertaking as shall be necessary for the purposes of the audit and shall when required furnish to him and them all vouchers and information requisite for such purpose and shall afford to him and them all facilities for the proper execution of his and their duty.

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The Board of Trade may make and vary regulations prescribing the times at and the mode in which such audit shall be made and conducted or otherwise for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of this section.

Any report made by the auditor or such portion thereof as the Board of Trade shall direct shall be appended to the annual statement of accounts and shall form part thereof for the purposes of the said Section 9.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade and the local authority place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations or conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

10. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Second Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade

give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

11. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes Provided that no such box or apparatus shall be placed above ground, except with the consent of the authority body or person by whom such street is repairable.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

The local authority may with the approval of the Board of Trade prescribe the hours during which the Undertakers are to have access to such boxes and if the Undertakers during any hours not so prescribed remove or displace or keep removed or displaced the upper surface or covering of any box without the consent of the local authority they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Notice of works with plans to be served on the Postmaster-General and local authority.

12. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect :—

(*a*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General and the local authority describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the

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mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge or any sewer drain or tunnel therein or thereunder is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General or the local authority give him or them any such further information in relation thereto as he or they may desire In calculating the above-mentioned period of one month no part of the month of August shall be included.

(*b*) The Postmaster-General or the local authority may in his or their discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c*) Where the Postmaster-General or the local authority approve any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapprove of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such work or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d*) If the Postmaster-General or the local authority fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon them he or they shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General and the local authority or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General and the local authority for any loss or damage which he or they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with

the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where in any case a street or public bridge is repairable by the county council this section shall be read and construed as if "county council" were substituted for "local authority" wherever that expression occurs.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority railways tramways and canals.

13. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect to such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served

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upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or with any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer. The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

14. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or

person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where any such body or person (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties

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as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

(*h*) The givers of the notice may if they think fit require the Undertakers to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses incurred or to be incurred by them under this section as may be determined in manner provided by this Order. If the Undertakers fail to give any such security within seven days after being required to do so or in case of difference after such difference has been determined by a court of summary jurisdiction they shall not be entitled to serve any further requisition upon such givers of the notice requiring them to exercise or discharge any powers or duties under this section until such security has been duly given.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

15. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes (not forming part of any sewer of the Local Authority) or any wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:

(*a*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or persons (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or persons for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon

the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d*) Where no requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such

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alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near sewers &c. or gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

16. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any sewer drain watercourse defence or work under the jurisdiction or control of the local authority or any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to the local authority or to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such sewer drain watercourse defence pipe syphon electric line or work

and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owners thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the sewer drain water-course defence pipe electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

17. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

18.—(1) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric

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signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the

circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets within area of supply.

19.—(1) The Undertakers shall lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(2) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Second Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

As to laying of electric line under special agreement.

20. Twenty-eight days at the least before commencing to lay in any street any electric line which is intended for supplying energy to any particular consumer and not for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall serve upon the local authority and upon the owner or occupier of all premises abutting on so much of the street as lies between the points of origin and termination of the electric line so to be laid a notice stating that the Undertakers intend to lay such electric line and setting forth the effect of this section and if within the said period any two or more of such owners or occupiers shall require in accordance with the provisions of this Order that a supply shall be given to their premises the necessary distributing main shall be laid by the Undertakers at the same time as the electric line intended for such particular consumer.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

21. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds in respect of each such default for each day during which such default continues and if the Board of Trade are of opinion in any case that such default is wilful and unreasonably prolonged they may after considering any representations of the local authority either revoke

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this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

22. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street or where the local authority has the control and management of the public lamps in such street or part of a street by the local authority.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same or by the local authority (as the case may be) and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply and to the local authority on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

23. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the

Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charges above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may have become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the Order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Provisions on requisition by local authority.

24. Where any such requisition is made by the local authority it shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless at the time when such service is effected or within fourteen days thereafter there be tendered to the Undertakers (if required by them) an agreement executed by the local authority and binding them to take for a period of three years at the least a supply of energy for lighting such public lamps in the street or part of a street in respect of which such requisition is made as may be under their management or control.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

25. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and

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conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they

think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

26. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Supply of energy to public lamps.

27. The Undertakers upon receiving reasonable notice from the local authority requiring them to supply energy to any public lamps within the distance of seventy-five yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain a current of energy for the purposes of general supply under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order shall give and continue to give a supply of energy to such lamps in such quantities as the local authority may require to be supplied.

Penalty for failure to supply.

28. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to the public lamps to which they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each such lamp and for each day on which any such default occurs.

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Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

29. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall give notice to the local authority by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and if the local authority become the Undertakers under this Order they shall give the like notice by public advertisement and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to the local authority and to every consumer of energy who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

30. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Third Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved by the Board of Trade such price as the Board of Trade shall on approving such method determine.

Provided that if the local authority or the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of seven years after the commencement of this Order, make a representation to the Board of Trade that the prices or methods of

charge stated in the said schedule or approved by the Board of Trade ought to be altered the Board of Trade after such inquiry as they may think fit may make an order varying the prices or methods of charge stated in the said schedule or so approved as aforesaid or substituting other prices or methods of charge in lieu thereof and the prices or methods of charge so varied or substituted shall have effect on and after such day as may be mentioned in the order as if they had been stated in the said schedule Provided also that the prices and methods of charge for the time being in force may be altered in like manner at any time after the expiration of any or every period of seven years after the same were last altered.

Other charges by agreement.

31. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Prices to public lamps.

32. The price to be charged by the Undertakers and to be paid to them for all energy supplied to the public lamps and the mode in which such charges shall be ascertained shall be settled by agreement between the local authority and the Undertakers and in case of difference by arbitration regard being had to the circumstances of the case and the distributing or other mains (if any) which may have to be laid for the purpose and the prices charged to ordinary consumers in the district.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

33. The local authority so long as they are not themselves the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

If no electric inspector is appointed by the local authority or if the inspection of electric lines and works is imperfectly attended to by the local authority or if the local authority themselves become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The local authority with the approval of the Board of Trade or the Board of Trade if the inspector is appointed by them may prescribe the manner in

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which and the times at which any such duties are to be performed by an electric inspector and also the fees to be taken by him and such fees shall be accounted for and applied as may be directed by the local authority or the Board of Trade as the case may be.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

34. The local authority may pay to any electric inspector appointed by them under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as they may determine and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees directed to be paid to electric inspectors in respect of their duties under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order or the principal Act according as the local authority shall determine.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

35. The Board of Trade may also if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provision of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

36. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the

purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

37. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by the consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

38. The Undertakers shall at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main establish at their own cost and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the local authority or where the local authority are the Undertakers as the Board of Trade shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and shall place thereat proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade and shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

If any dispute arises between the local authority and the Undertakers as to whether the number of such testing stations and the distance from the main at which they are established is reasonable or excessive or as to any excessive or improper use of energy for such testing or as to the performance by the Undertakers of their duties under this section such dispute shall be determined by arbitration.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

39. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

40. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments at such times and in such manner as he may be directed by the authority by whom he is appointed and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

41. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and

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in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

42. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

43. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

44. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

45. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by a court of summary jurisdiction or (where the inspector is appointed by them) by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the court or Board having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court shall direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

46. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of supply" shall except as

otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

47. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

48. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

49. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

50. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order

51. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that

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all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

52. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

53. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

54. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector or where the local authority are the consumers by an inspector to be appointed by the Board of Trade who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

55. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to

56. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may

place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

Maps.

57. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be made on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Map of area of supply to be made.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General or the local authority supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Special provisions in case of transfer.

58. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the following provisions shall have effect:—

Application of moneys received by local authority as Undertakers.

(A.) All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of

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lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking;

(2) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes;

(3) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes;

(4) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital;

(5) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the local authority.

Any deficiency of income in any year when not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

(B.) All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature

of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Purchase and use of lands.

59. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the following provision shall have effect:—

Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Incorporation of Section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

60. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section "this Act" shall mean this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" shall mean the local authority as such Undertakers.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

61. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the local authority the signature thereof by the clerk or surveyor to the local authority shall be sufficient authentication.

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Service of notices &c.

62. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively :—

(*a*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade ;

(*b*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office ;

(*c*) In the case of any county council the office of such council ;

(*d*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority ;

(*e*) In the case of the Undertakers or any other company having a registered office the registered office of the Undertakers or such company.

(*f*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of that company ;

(*g*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation of Order where Undertakers are insolvent.

63. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made any default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the terms of this Order and that such default is in consequence of the insolvency of the Undertakers and that by reason of such insolvency the Undertakers are unable fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed upon them by this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary and after considering any representations of the local authority revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers as to any part of the area of supply.

64. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers represent to the Board of Trade that the undertaking cannot be carried on with profit and ought to be abandoned the Board of Trade shall inquire into the truth of such representation and if upon such inquiry they are satisfied of the truth of such representation they may if in their discretion they think fit revoke this Order as to the whole or (with the consent of the Undertakers and of the local authority) as to any part of the area of supply.

Revocation of Order where undertaking cannot be carried on with profit.

65. In addition to any other powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers and the local authority upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

66. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply under any of the provisions of this Order the following provisions shall have effect:—

Provisions where Order revoked.

(*a*) The Board of Trade shall serve a notice of such revocation upon the Undertakers and upon the local authority and shall in such notice fix a date at which such revocation shall take effect and from and after such date all the powers and liabilities of the Undertakers under this Order for the supply of energy within such area or part thereof as aforesaid shall absolutely cease and determine.

(*b*) Within two months after the service of such notice by the Board of Trade upon the local authority the local authority if they think fit may by notice in writing require the Undertakers to sell and thereupon the Undertakers shall sell to them so much of the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid as is within the district of the local authority upon terms of paying the then value of all land buildings works materials and plant of the Undertakers suitable to and used by them for the purposes of the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid such value being agreed or estimated in manner directed by the Electric Lighting Act 1888 in the case of purchases effected by the local authority under section two of that Act.

(*c*) Where any purchase is so effected the undertaking or part thereof so purchased shall vest in the local authority freed from any debts mortgages or similar obligations of the Undertakers or attaching to the undertaking and the revocation of this Order as to the whole of the area of supply or such part thereof as aforesaid shall extend only to the revocation of the rights powers authorities duties and obligations of the Undertakers from whom the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid is purchased in relation to the supply of energy within such area or part thereof and save as aforesaid this Order shall remain in full force within such area or part thereof in favour of the local authority by whom such undertaking or part thereof is purchased as aforesaid.

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(*d*) Where no purchase has been effected under the preceding provisions of this section the local authority and any body or person who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may (subject however to any agreement between the local authority or such body or person and the Undertakers providing for the removal of such works by the Undertakers) forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to the local authority or such other body or person as aforesaid such reasonable costs of such removal and of the reinstatement of such street or part of a street as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such local authority or other body or person or (if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them) as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) the local authority or other such body or person as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

(*e*) In case the local authority or any body or person may be entitled to compensation for any damage sustained by them by reason or in consequence of the execution of any works within such area or part thereof as aforesaid or the exercise of any powers by this Order granted to the Undertakers or for any expenses to which such local authority body or person may have been put in removing any works of the Undertakers within such area or part thereof under the provisions of this Order such compensation shall be a first charge on any money that may have been deposited or secured by the Undertakers under the provisions of this Order in respect of such area or part thereof and which may not have been repaid or released to the Undertakers and such money shall be applied rateably in satisfying such claims and in every such case the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of the various claims and the persons to whom it is to be paid shall be determined by arbitration.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

67. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or

approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of noncompliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

68. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and a true copy thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be forthwith served upon the local authority and like copies shall also be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

69. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the cost of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is

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given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

70. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

Approval or consent of Board of Trade.

71. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copses of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

72. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or where the Board of Trade upon the application of the local authority or the Undertakers revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the body by whom such application was made as aforesaid.

Notice of application for extension of time &c. to be given to local authority.

73. Where any application is made to the Board of Trade to extend any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers notice of such application shall be served on the local authority by the Undertakers and an opportunity shall be given to the local authority to make representations or objections with reference thereto.

74. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts. Recovery and application of penalties.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by an officer of the local authority shall if there is an electric inspector for the time being appointed by the local authority be paid to such officer and by him to the local authority and shall be applied in aid of the local rate.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any other body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

75. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries. Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

76. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the Undertakers borrowing money on the security of mortgages of the undertaking or shall make the consent or approval of the Board of Trade necessary to the validity or effect of any such mortgage Provided that every mortgage of the undertaking shall be deemed to comprise all purchase money which may be paid to the Undertakers in the event of any sale or transfer of the undertaking or any part thereof under section two of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 or under this Order and that any mortgage granted by the Undertakers shall not be a charge upon the undertaking or any part thereof in the event of the undertaking or such part being sold or transferred as aforesaid and that every mortgage deed granted by the Undertakers shall be endorsed with notice to that effect. As to mortgages.

77. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts. Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

78. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them. Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

79. Nothing in this Order contained shall prejudice or affect any property rights powers authorities or privileges of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales Duke of Cornwall or of the possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall for the time being. Saving of rights of Duchy of Cornwall.

80. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of Provision as to general Acts.

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any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Revocation of licence.

81. The St. Austell Electric Lighting Licence 1885 is hereby revoked as from the commencement of this Order but without prejudice to anything done or suffered before such commencement.

SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The district of St. Austell Local Board in the county of Cornwall as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(*a.*) Streets:

Biddick's Court Grose's Yard Aylmer Place Rowe's Court Elm Terrace and Priory Row.

(*b.*) Railways:

The level crossing of the Great Western Railway over Tregonissey Lane.

(*c.*) Tramways:

None.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand ampères flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2)

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To confirm certain Provisional Orders mad by the Board of Trade under the Electri Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating t Grimsby, Harrow, Leyton, Monmouth Peterborough, and St. Austell.

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An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to Crystal Palace District, Oswestry, Plymouth, Shropshire (Shrewsbury), Wakefield, and Yeadon. A.D. 1894.

WHEREAS, under the authority of the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, the Board of Trade have made the several Provisional Orders set out in the schedule to this Act: 45 & 46 Vict. c. 56. 51 & 52 Vict. c. 12.

And whereas a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the authority of the said Acts is not of any validity or force whatever until the confirmation thereof by Act of Parliament:

And whereas it is expedient that the several Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the authority of the said Acts, as set out in the schedule to this Act, be confirmed by Act of Parliament:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1894. Short title.

2. The several Orders, as amended and set out in the schedule to this Act, shall be and the same are hereby confirmed, and all the provisions thereof, in manner and form as they are set out in the said schedule shall, from and after the passing of this Act, have full validity and effect. Orders in schedule confirmed.

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SCHEDULE.

LIST OF ORDERS.

1. CRYSTAL PALACE DISTRICT.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Crystal Palace District Electric Supply Company, Limited.

2. OSWESTRY.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Oswestry Electric Lighting and Power Company, Limited.

3. PLYMOUTH.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Plymouth.

4. SHROPSHIRE (SHREWSBURY).—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Shropshire Electric Light and Power Company, Limited.

5. WAKEFIELD.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Wakefield.

6. YEADON.—Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Yeadon Local Board.

CRYSTAL PALACE AND DISTRICT ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, to the Crystal Palace District Electric Supply Company, Limited, in respect of the Crystal Palace District.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Crystal Palace District Electric Lighting Order 1894.

This Order to be read with the Crystal Palace and District Electric Lighting Order 1890.

2. The Crystal Palace and District Electric Lighting Order 1890 (hereinafter called "the Principal Order") and this Order shall be read and construed together as one Order and may be cited together as the Crystal Palace and District Electric Lighting Orders 1890 and 1894.

Interpretation.

3. Expressions used in this Order and defined in the Principal Order shall have the same meanings as in that Order.

Commencement of Order.

4. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Address and description of Undertakers.

5. The Undertakers for the purposes of this Order are the Crystal Palace District Electric Supply Company Limited being a company registered under the Companies Acts 1862 to 1890 with limited liability and being the present Undertakers for the purposes of the Principal Order whose registered offices are situate at Springfield Wells Road Upper Sydenham in the county of Surrey.

Area of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply for the purposes of the Principal Order and this Order shall be the area included in the First Schedule to this Order and that schedule shall be substituted for the First Schedule annexed to the Principal Order and the Principal Order shall be read and construed accordingly.

As to streets not repairable by local authority or county council.

7. The Principal Order shall be read and construed as if the streets mentioned in the Second Schedule to this Order had been included in the Third Schedule to that Order.

Mains to be laid in Westow Hill.

8. The Undertakers shall within a period of one year after the commencement of this Order lay down and shall thereafter maintain suitable and sufficient distributing mains throughout the street called Westow Hill and in case of default herein the provisions of section twenty-seven of the Principal Order shall apply.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

9. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause

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of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of the Principal Order and this Order and the Principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under the Principal Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Purchase by local authority.

10. The periods of seven and fifteen years mentioned in section seventy of the Principal Order shall for the purposes of the Principal Order and this Order be reckoned from the commencement of the Principal Order.

Application of section 2 of Electric Lighting Act 1888 to this Order.

11. The period of forty-two years mentioned in section seventy-one of the Principal Order and section two of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 shall for the purposes of the Principal Order and this Order be reckoned from the twenty-sixth day of August one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

Revocation of Licence of 1893.

12. The Crystal Palace District Electric Lighting Licence 1893 is hereby revoked as from the commencement of this Order, but without prejudice to anything done or suffered before such commencement.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply substituted by this Order.

The area bounded by a line drawn from the junction of Anerley Road with Thicket Road through Anerley Road to the junction of Anerley Road with the London Brighton and South Coast Railway thence along the western boundary of such railway to its junction with London Road (Forest Hill) thence along London Road to its junction with Sydenham Hill and Station Road thence along Station Road Sydenham Hill Crescentwood Road to its junction with the pathway between Peckarman's Wood and Lowcross Wood leading to College Road along such pathway College Road Kingswood Road Church Walk the Avenue Gipsy Hill Westow Street and Belvedere Road to its junction with West End and Crystal Palace Railway (London Chatham and Dover Railway Company) thence along the western boundary of such railway to the point where it is crossed by Anerley Road and thence along Anerley Road to its junction with Thicket Road.

Provided that where the boundary of the area of supply is a street the houses and premises on both sides of such street shall be deemed to be within the area of supply.

Provided also that in case of difference between the above description and the area delineated upon the deposited map the latter shall prevail.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of Streets not repairable by the Local Authority which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the Special Powers granted by the Principal Order and this Order :—

Church Road (Croydon)
Eliot Bank
Eliot Lane
Queen's Road
Derby Villas
Charles Street
Redbury Grove
Carlton Terrace
The pathway between Peckarman's Wood and Lowcross Wood leading to College Road
Church Road (Camberwell)
Church Walk
Rock Hill
College Road
Station Road (Lordship Lane)
Crescent Road.

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OSWESTRY ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Oswestry Electric Lighting and Power Company Limited in respect of the Borough of Oswestry.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Oswestry Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers and unless otherwise specially agreed with the local authority to the public lamps but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "county council" shall mean the County Council of Shropshire;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers;

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street:

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Address and Description of the Undertakers.

Address and description of Undertakers.

4. The Undertakers for the purposes of this Order are the Oswestry Electric Lighting and Power Company Limited being a company registered under the Companies Acts 1862 to 1890 with limited liability and having its registered offices at Oswestry.

Provided that if the undertaking or any part thereof is at any time purchased by the local authority in accordance with the provisions of this Order or of the principal Act such local authority shall from the date of such

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purchase be the Undertakers in relation to such undertaking or part thereof for the purposes of this Order in lieu of the company above mentioned.

The Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire the undertaking of or associate themselves with any other company or person supplying energy under any licence Provisional Order or special Act unless the Undertakers are authorised by Parliament to do so.

If in contravention of this section the Undertakers purchase or acquire any such undertaking or associate themselves with such other company or person the Board of Trade may if they think fit revoke this Order upon such terms as they may think just.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Prohibition of supply beyond area of supply.

6. The Undertakers shall not at any time after the commencement of this Order supply energy or (except for the purposes of this Order) erect or lay down any electric lines or works beyond the area of supply otherwise than under the authority of Parliament or under a licence granted by the Board of Trade under the principal Act.

If the Undertakers supply energy or erect or lay down electric lines or works in contravention of this section the Board of Trade may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Security and Accounts.

Security for execution of works.

7. The Undertakers within a period of six months after the commencement of this Order and before exercising any of the powers by this Order conferred on them in relation to the execution of works shall show to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade that they are in a position fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed upon them by this Order throughout the area of supply.

The Undertakers shall also within six months after the commencement of this Order or such extended period as may be approved by the Board of Trade and before exercising any of the powers conferred on them in relation to the execution of works deposit or secure to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade a sum of five hundred pounds.

If the Undertakers fail to show to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade within any such period as aforesaid that they are in such a position as above mentioned or fail to deposit or secure such sum as aforesaid the Board of Trade may after considering any representations which the local authority may make revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as they may think just.

The said sum deposited or secured by the Undertakers under the provisions of this section shall be repaid or released to them in equal moieties when

and so soon as it may be certified by an inspector to be appointed by the Board of Trade that amounts equal to the sums so to be repaid or released have been expended by the Undertakers upon works executed for the purposes of the undertaking or that distributing mains have been duly laid down in accordance with the provisions of this Order in every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule or at such earlier dates and by such instalments as may be approved by the Board of Trade.

Audit of Undertakers accounts.

8. The annual statement of accounts of the undertaking before being published as provided by section 9 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 shall so long as the local authority are not the Undertakers be examined and audited by such competent and impartial person as the Board of Trade shall appoint and the remuneration of the auditor shall be such as the Board of Trade shall direct and the same and all expenses incurred by him in or about the execution of his duties to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall approve shall be paid by the Undertakers on demand and shall be recoverable summarily as a civil debt.

The Undertakers shall give to the auditor his clerks and assistants access to such of the books and documents relating to the undertaking as shall be necessary for the purposes of the audit and shall when required furnish to him and them all vouchers and information requisite for such purpose and shall afford to him and them all facilities for the proper execution of his and their duty.

The Board of Trade may make and vary regulations prescribing the times at and the mode in which such audit shall be made and conducted or otherwise for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of this section.

Any report made by the auditor or such portion thereof as the Board of Trade shall direct shall be appended to the annual statement of accounts and shall form part thereof for the purposes of the said section nine.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade and the local authority place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

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(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations or conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions if any of such approval.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

10. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use. Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such part thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

11. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes Provided that no such box or apparatus shall be placed above ground except with the consent of the authority body or person by whom such street is repairable.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the

Undertakers in such a manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

The local authority may with the approval of the Board of Trade prescribe the hours during which the Undertakers are to have access to such boxes and if the Undertakers during any hours not so prescribed remove or displace or keep removed or displaced the upper surface or covering of any box without the consent of the local authority they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General and local authority.

12. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General and the local authority describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge or any sewer drain or tunnel therein or thereunder is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General or the local authority give him or them any such further information in relation thereto as he or they may desire In calculating the above-mentioned period of one month no part of the month of August shall be included;

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General or the local authority may in his or their discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General or the local authority approve any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapprove of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same;

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General or the local authority fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon them he or they shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan;

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(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General and the local authority or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act;

(*f*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General and the local authority for any loss or damage which he or they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where in any case a street or public bridge is repairable by the county council this section shall be read and construed as if "county council" were substituted for "local authority" wherever that expression occurs.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority railways tramways and canals.

13. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended

to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or with any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

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(*h*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

14. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where any such body or person (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency;

(*b*.) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c*.) Upon the receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

(*h.*) The givers of the notice may if they think fit require the Undertakers to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses incurred or to be incurred by them under this section as may be determined in manner provided by this Order If the Undertakers fail to give any such security within seven days after being required to do so or in case of difference after such difference has been determined by a court of summary jurisdiction they shall not be entitled to serve any further requisition upon such givers of the notice requiring them to exercise or discharge any powers or duties under this section until such security has been duly given.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

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As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

15. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes (not forming part of any sewer of the local authority) or any wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the

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operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

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Laying of electric lines &c. near sewers &c. or gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

16. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any sewer drain watercourse defence or work under the jurisdiction or control of the local authority or any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to the local authority or to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such sewer drain watercourse defence pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owners thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was

reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the sewer drain watercourse defence pipe electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

17. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

18.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled

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to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any such owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

19.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

As to laying of electric line under special agreement.

20. Twenty-eight days at the least before commencing to lay in any street any electric line which is intended for supplying energy to any particular consumer and not for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall serve upon the local authority and upon the owner or occupier of all premises abutting on so much of the street as lies between the points of origin and termination of the electric line so to be laid a notice stating that the Undertakers intend to lay such electric line and setting forth the effect of this section and if within the said period any two or more of such owners or occupiers shall require in accordance with the provisions of this Order that a supply shall be given to their premises the necessary distributing main shall be laid by the Undertakers at the same time as the electric line intended for such particular consumer.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order to be revoked.

21. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds in respect of each such default for each day during which such default continues and if the Board of Trade are of opinion in any case that such default is wilful and unreasonably prolonged they may after considering any representations of the local authority either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

22. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such

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street or part of a street or where the local authority has the control and management of the public lamps in such street or part of a street by the local authority.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same or by the local authority (as the case may be) and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply and to the local authority on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

23. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for

such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Provisions on requisition by local authority.

24. Where any such requisition is made by the local authority it shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless at the time when such service is effected or within fourteen days thereafter there be tendered to the Undertakers (if required by them) an agreement executed by the local authority and binding them to take for a period of three years at the least a supply of energy for lighting such public lamps in the street or part of a street in respect of which such requisition is made as may be under their management or control.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

25. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

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Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes, or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

26. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably

incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Supply of energy to public lamps.

27. The Undertakers upon receiving reasonable notice from the local authority requiring them to supply energy to any public lamps within the distance of seventy-five yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain a current of energy for the purposes of general supply under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order shall give and continue to give a supply of energy to such lamps in such quantities as the local authority may require to be supplied.

Penalty for failure to supply.

28. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to the public lamps to which they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each such lamp and for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

29. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

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(3) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade:

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall give notice to the local authority by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and if the local authority become the Undertakers under this Order they shall give the like notice by public advertisement and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to the local authority and to every consumer of energy who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

30. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Provided that if the local authority or the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of seven years after the commencement of this Order make a representation to the Board of Trade that the prices or methods of charge stated in the said schedule or approved by the Board of Trade ought to be altered the Board of Trade after such inquiry as they may think fit may make an order varying the prices or methods of charge stated in the said schedule or so approved as aforesaid or substituting other prices or methods of charge in lieu thereof and the prices or methods of charge so varied or substituted shall have effect on and after such day as may be mentioned in the order as if they had been stated in the said schedule Provided also that the prices and methods of charge for the time being in force may be altered in like manner at any time after the expiration of any or every period of seven years after the same were last altered.

Other charges by agreement.

31. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Price to public lamps.

32. The price to be charged by the Undertakers and to be paid to them for all energy supplied to the public lamps and the mode in which such charges shall be ascertained shall be settled by agreement between the local authority and the Undertakers and in case of difference by arbitration regard being had

to the circumstances of the case and the distributing or other mains (if any) which may have to be laid for the purpose and the prices charged to ordinary consumers in the district.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

33. The local authority so long as they are not themselves the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

If no electric inspector is appointed by the local authority or if the inspection of electric lines and works is imperfectly attended to by the local authority or if the local authority themselves become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The local authority with the approval of the Board of Trade or the Board of Trade if the inspector is appointed by them may prescribe the manner in which and the times at which any such duties are to be performed by an electric inspector and also the fees to be taken by him and such fees shall be accounted for and applied as may be directed by the local authority or the Board of Trade as the case may be.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

34. The local authority may pay to any electric inspector appointed by them under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as they may determine and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees directed to be paid to electric inspectors in respect of their duties under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order or the principal Act according as the local authority shall determine.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

35. The Board of Trade may also if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

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The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

36. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

37. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by the consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

38. The Undertakers shall at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main establish at their own cost and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the local authority or where the local authority are the Undertakers as the Board of Trade shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and shall place thereat proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade and shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

If any dispute arises between the local authority and the Undertakers as to whether the number of such testing stations and the distance from the main at which they are established is reasonable or excessive or as to any excessive or improper use of energy for such testing or as to the performance by the Undertakers of their duties under this section such dispute shall be determined by arbitration.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

39. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

40. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments at such times and in such manner as he may be directed by the authority by whom he is appointed and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

41. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

42. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

43. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

44. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

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Expenses of electric inspector.

45. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by a court of summary jurisdiction or (where the inspector is appointed by them) by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the court or Board having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court shall direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

46. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meters to be certified.

47. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter". Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

48. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the parties so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

49. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the

price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

50. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

51. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

52. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

53. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

54. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall

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be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector or where the local authority are the consumers by an inspector to be appointed by the Board of Trade who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

55. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

56. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made and deposited.

57. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be made on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand

and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Post-master-General or the local authority supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Special provisions in case of Transfer.

Purchase by local authority.

58. The option of purchasing the undertaking under the provisions of section two of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 may be exercised by the local authority within six months after the expiration of thirty-five years after the commencement of this Order Provided that the local authority shall in addition to the sum payable for the value of the lands buildings works materials and plant of the Undertakers determined in the mode provided by that section pay to the Undertakers a sum equal to the net profits of the undertaking for the preceding three years. If the said option is not exercised under the foregoing provisions of this section the provisions of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 shall apply as if this section had not been included in this Order.

Application of moneys received by local authority as Undertakers.

59. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the following provisions shall have effect:—

(A) All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed moneys (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

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(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if the fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the local authority.

Any deficiency of income in any year when not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

(B.) All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Purchase and use of lands.

60. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the following provision shall have effect:—

Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-

mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last before the transfer of the undertaking to the local authority were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

61. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order section 265 of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section "this Act" shall mean this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" shall mean the local authority as such Undertakers.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

62. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the local authority the signature thereof by the clerk or surveyor to the local authority shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c

63. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:

(*a*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e*) In the case of the Undertakers or any other company having a registered office the registered office of the Undertakers or such company;

(*f*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

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A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation of Order where Undertakers are insolvent.

64. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made any default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the terms of this Order and that such default is in consequence of the insolvency of the Undertakers and that by reason of such insolvency the Undertakers are unable fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed upon them by this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary and after considering any representations of the local authority revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers as to any part of the area of supply.

Revocation of Order where Undertaking cannot be carried on with profit.

65. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers represent to the Board of Trade that the undertaking cannot be carried on with profit and ought to be abandoned the Board of Trade shall inquire into the truth of such representation and if upon such inquiry they are satisfied of the truth of such representation they may if in their discretion they think fit revoke this Order as to the whole or (with the consent of the Undertakers and of the local authority) as to any part of the area of supply.

Revocation of Order with consent.

66. In addition to any other powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers and the local authority upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think just.

Provisions where Order revoked.

67. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply under any of the provisions of this Order the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a*) The Board of Trade shall serve a notice of such revocation upon the Undertakers and upon the local authority and shall in such notice fix a

date at which such revocation shall take effect and from and after such date all the powers and liabilities of the Undertakers under this Order for the supply of energy within such area or part thereof as aforesaid shall absolutely cease and determine.

(*b*) Within two months after the service of such notice by the Board of Trade upon the local authority the local authority if they think fit may by notice in writing require the Undertakers to sell and thereupon the Undertakers shall sell to them so much of the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid as is within the district of the local authority upon terms of paying the then value of all land buildings works materials and plant of the Undertakers suitable to and used by them for the purposes of the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid such value being agreed or estimated in manner directed by the Electric Lighting Act 1888 in the case of purchases effected by the local authority under section two of that Act.

(*c*) Where any purchase is so effected the undertaking or part thereof so purchased shall vest in the local authority freed from any debts mortgages or similar obligations of the Undertakers or attaching to the undertaking and the revocation of this Order as to the whole of the area of supply or such part thereof as aforesaid shall extend only to the revocation of the rights powers authorities duties and obligations of the Undertakers from whom the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid is purchased in relation to the supply of energy within such area or part thereof and save as aforesaid this Order shall remain in full force within such area or part thereof in favour of the local authority by whom such undertaking or part thereof is purchased as aforesaid.

(*d*) Where no purchase has been effected under the preceding provisions of this section the local authority and any body or person who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may (subject however to any agreement between the local authority or such body or person and the Undertakers providing for the removal of such works by the Undertakers) forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to the local authority or other such body or person as aforesaid such reasonable costs of such removal and of the reinstatement of such street or part of a street as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such local authority or other body or person or (if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them) as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) the local authority or other such body or person as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any

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such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

(*e.*) In case the local authority or any body or person may be entitled to compensation for any damage sustained by them by reason or in consequence of the execution of any works within such area or part thereof as aforesaid or the exercise of any powers by this Order granted to the Undertakers or for any expenses to which such local authority body or person may have been put in removing any works of the Undertakers within such area or part thereof under the provisions of this Order such compensation shall be a first charge on any money that may have been deposited or secured by the Undertakers under the provisions of this Order in respect of such area or part thereof and which may not have been repaid or released to the Undertakers and such money shall be applied rateably in satisfying such claims and in every such case the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of the various claims and the persons to whom it is to be paid shall be determined by arbitration.

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Remedying of system and works.

68. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

69. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and a true copy thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be forthwith served upon the local authority and like copies shall also be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

70. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

71. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

Approval or consent of Board of Trade.

72. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests for the purpose

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of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

73. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or where the Board of Trade upon the application of the local authority or the Undertakers revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the body by whom such application was made as aforesaid.

Notice of application for extension of time &c. to be given to local authority.

74. Where any application is made to the Board of Trade to extend any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers notice of such application shall be served on the local authority by the Undertakers and an opportunity shall be given to the local authority to make representations or objections with reference thereto.

Recovery and application of penalties.

75. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by an officer of the local authority shall if there is an electric inspector for the time being appointed by the local authority be paid to such officer and by him to the local authority and shall be applied in aid of the local rate.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any other body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

76. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

As to mortgages.

77. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the Undertakers borrowing money on the security of mortgages of the undertaking or shall make the consent or

approval of the Board of Trade necessary to the validity or effect of any such mortgage Provided that every mortgage of the undertaking shall be deemed to comprise all purchase money which may be paid to the Undertakers in the event of any sale or transfer of the undertaking or any part thereof under section two of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 or under this Order and that any mortgage granted by the Undertakers shall not be a charge upon the undertaking or any part thereof in the event of the undertaking or such part being sold or transferred as aforesaid and that every mortgage deed granted by the Undertakers shall be endorsed with notice to that effect.

Saving clause for Postmaster-General.

78. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

79. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

80. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of supply :—

The whole of the Borough of Oswestry as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order.

Cross Street.
The Cross.
Church Street.
Willow Street, from the Cross as far as Castle Buildings.
Bailey Street from the Cross to the centre of Bailey Head.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(A) Streets :

Queen's Road.
Ferrers Street.
Gittens Street.
Lorne Street.
Swan Lane.
West Street.
Queen's Park.
Park Street.
Great Western Road.
Albert Road.
Oswald Road.
Victoria Street.

(B) Railways :

None.

(C) Tramways :

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section one of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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PLYMOUTH CORPORATION ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Plymouth in respect of the Borough of Plymouth.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Plymouth Corporation Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882:

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied:

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply:

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement:

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order:

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers:

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines :

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected :

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined :

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street :

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof:

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively:

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade:

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the ninth day of November one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Plymouth.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows :—

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(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for ensuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connection is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in

the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section 13 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connection with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit

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or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person

liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

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(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by

any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

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(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric

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supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the

Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

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(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or

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will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as hereinbefore provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the Order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain

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owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric line as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers if required by them so to do to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or

improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

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Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied ; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply ; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows :—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them ;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters ; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

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Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and report of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connection with the Undertakers works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers works or their circuits or in connection with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular

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portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in

that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above-mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

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Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as hereinafter provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any

consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues. The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines. The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of

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Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to

one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows :—

(1) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively :—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade :

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office :

(*c*). In the case of any county council the office of such council :

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority :

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(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company:

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company:

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time (that is to say) Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made.

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made.

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer.

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

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(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the Order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or persons respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or have placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or

discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

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A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving for Postmaster-General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Saving rights of Duchy of Cornwall.

70. Nothing in this Order contained shall prejudice or affect any property rights powers authorities or privileges of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales Duke of Cornwall or of the possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall for the time being.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings or nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceeding for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

72. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The Borough of Plymouth as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order.

George Street.
Bedford Street.
Old Town Street from Bedford Street to Ebrington Street.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a*) Streets:—

Alton Road
Alton Place
Alton Terrace Lane
Anson Place
Alvington Street
Beatrice Avenue Extension
Beaumont Avenue
Belgrave Road Lane North
Belgrave Road Lane South
Beaumont Villas Lane
Beatrice Avenue
Beatrice Avenue Lane
Bedford Park
Boon's Place
Chaddlewood Avenue Lane
Chaddlewood Avenue
Crozier Road
Connaught Avenue Lane South
Carlton Terrace Lane
Cromwell Road
Cromwell Road Lane
Clare Road
Connaught Avenue
Chaddlewood Avenue Extension
Camperdown Place
Carlisle Avenue
Channel View
Desborough Road
Egerton Road
Elliott Terrace Lane
Evelyn Place
Evelyn Place Lane
Egerton Crescent
Egerton Place
Edith Street
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Greenbank Avenue Extension
Glynn Terrace Lane
Grand Hotel Lane
Grenville Road East
Grenville Road Lane
Gordon Terrace
Gordon Terrace Lane
Greenbank Avenue Extension Lane
Great Western Road
Hoe Field Terrace Road
Hobart Terrace Lane
Hayston Place
Julian Street
Knighton Road
Kensington Terrace Lane
Leigham Villas Lane
Leigham Street Lane West
Leigham Terrace Lane East and West
Limerick Place
Lisson Grove
May Place Lane
Mainstone Avenue
Maida Vale Terrace Lane
Newnham Terrace Lane
Napier Terrace Lane
Oakfield Terrace
Pentyre Terrace Road
Pearson Road
Pearson Avenue
Penlee Place
Queen's Road
Queen's Gate
Rochester Terrace
Roads on Little Saltram Estate
Roads on Sea View Estate
Revelstoke Terrace Lane
Rockingham Terrace Lane
Radford Road Lane
Smeaton Terrace Lane
Seymour Avenue Lane
Seymour Terrace Lane
Spencer Terrace Lane
Salisbury Road
Salisbury Road Lane
Seymour Avenue Extension
Sutherland Terrace Lane
Sutherland Terrace
Sutherland Place
Seymour Avenue Opes
South Milton Street
Southern Terrace Road
St. John's Road East
Southern Terrace Lane
Tavy Place
Tothill Road
Tresillian Street
Torrington Place Lane South
Tothill Avenue Lane
Victoria Terrace Lane
Victoria Park
Westbury Terrace Lane
West Hill Terrace Lane
Washington Terrace Lane
West Hill Road
West Hill Terrace Road
Watson Place.

(*b*) Railways:—

The following level crossings:—

Of Great Western Railway at Coxside Sutton Road and Millbay Road.

Of London and South Western Railway at Sutton Road.

(*c*) Tramways:—

The tramways of the Plymouth Stonehouse and Devonport Tramways Company.

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FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule—

The expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

SECTION 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

SECTION 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section 1 of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

SHROPSHIRE (SHREWSBURY) ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

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Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 to the Shropshire Electric Light and Power Company Limited in respect of the borough of Shrewsbury.

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Shropshire Electric Light and Power Company Electric Lighting (Shrewsbury) Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purpose of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers and unless otherwise specially agreed with the local authority to the public lamps but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "county council" shall mean the county council of Shropshire;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers

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The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Address and Description of the Undertakers.

Address and description of Undertakers.

4. The Undertakers for the purposes of this Order are the Shropshire Electric Light and Power Company Limited being a company registered under the Companies Acts 1862 to 1890 with limited liability and having its registered office at No. 9 The Square Shrewsbury in the county of Salop.

Provided that if the undertaking or any part thereof is at any time purchased by the local authority in accordance with the provisions of this Order or of the principal Act such local authority shall from the date of such purchase be the Undertakers in relation to such undertaking or part thereof for the purposes of this Order in lieu of the company above mentioned.

The Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire the undertaking of or associate themselves with any other company or person supplying energy under any licence provisional order or special Act unless the Undertakers are authorised by Parliament to do so.

If in contravention of this section the Undertakers purchase or acquire any such undertaking or associate themselves with such other company or person the Board of Trade may if they think fit revoke this Order upon such terms as they may think just.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Prohibition of supply beyond area of supply.

6. The Undertakers shall not at any time after the commencement of this Order supply energy or (except for the purposes of this Order) erect or lay down any electric lines or works beyond the area of supply otherwise than under the authority of Parliament or under a licence granted by the Board of Trade under the principal Act.

If the Undertakers supply energy or erect or lay down electric lines or works in contravention of this section the Board of Trade may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Security and Accounts.

Security for execution of works.

7. The Undertakers, within a period of six months after the commencement of this Order, and before exercising any of the powers by this Order conferred on them in relation to the execution of works, shall show to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade that they are in a position fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed upon them by this Order throughout the area of supply.

The Undertakers shall also, within six months after the commencement of this Order, or such extended period as may be approved by the Board of Trade, and before exercising any of the powers conferred on them in relation to the execution of works, deposit or secure to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade a sum of five hundred pounds.

If the Undertakers fail to show to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade within any such period as aforesaid that they are in such a position as above mentioned, or fail to deposit or secure such sum as aforesaid, the Board of Trade may, after considering any representations which the local authority may make, revoke this Order as to the whole or, with the consent of the Undertakers, any part of the area of supply, upon such terms as they may think just.

The said sum deposited or secured by the Undertakers under the provisions of this section shall be repaid or released to them in equal moieties, when and so soon as it may be certified by an inspector, to be appointed by the Board of Trade, that amounts equal to the sums so to be repaid or released have been expended by the Undertakers upon works executed for the purposes of the undertaking, or that distributing mains have been duly laid down in accordance with the provisions of this Order in every street, or part of a street, specified in that behalf in the second schedule, or at such earlier dates and by such instalments as may be approved by the Board of Trade.

Audit of Undertakers' accounts.

8. The annual statement of accounts of the undertaking before being published as provided by section nine of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 shall so long as the local authority are not the Undertakers be examined and audited by such competent and impartial person as the Board of Trade shall appoint and the remuneration of the auditor shall be such as the Board

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of Trade shall direct and the same and all expenses incurred by him in or about the execution of his duties to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall approve shall be paid by the Undertakers on demand and shall be recoverable summarily as a civil debt.

The Undertakers shall give to the auditor his clerks and assistants access to such of the books and documents relating to the undertaking as shall be necessary for the purposes of the audit and shall when required furnish to him and them all vouchers and information requisite for such purpose and shall afford to him and them all facilities for the proper execution of his and their duty.

The Board of Trade may make and vary regulations prescribing the times at and the mode in which such audit shall be made and conducted or otherwise for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of this section.

Any report made by the auditor or such portion thereof as the Board of Trade shall direct shall be appended to the annual statement of accounts and shall form part thereof for the purposes of the said section nine.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows :—

(1) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose ; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade and the local authority place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply ; and

(3) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations or conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

10. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

11. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes Provided that no such box or apparatus shall be placed above ground except with the consent of the authority body or person by whom such street is repairable.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

The local authority may with the approval of the Board of Trade prescribe the hours during which the Undertakers are to have access to such boxes and if the Undertakers during any hours not so prescribed remove or displace or keep removed or displaced the upper surface or covering of any box without the consent of the local authority they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General and local authority.

12. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the

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character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General and the local authority describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge or any sewer drain or tunnel therein or thereunder is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General or the local authority give him or them any such further information in relation thereto as he or they may desire. In calculating the above-mentioned period of one month no part of the month of August shall be included;

(*b*) The Postmaster-General or the local authority may in his or their discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

(*c*) Where the Postmaster-General or the local authority approve any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapprove of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same.

(*d*) If the Postmaster-General or the local authority fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon them he or they shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General and the local authority or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General and the local authority for any loss or damage which he or they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

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Where in any case a street or public bridge is repairable by the county council this section shall be read and construed as if "county council" were substituted for "local authority" wherever that expression occurs.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authorities railways tramways and canals.

13. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character

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and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or with any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

14. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where any such body or person (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where

they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

(*h*) The givers of the notice may if they think fit require the Undertakers to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses incurred or to be incurred by them under this section as may be deter-

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mined in manner provided by this Order If the Undertakers fail to give any such security within seven days after being required to do so or in case of difference, after such difference has been determined by a court of summary jurisdiction they shall not be entitled to serve any further requisition upon such givers of the notice requiring them to exercise or discharge any powers or duties under this section until such security has been duly given.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes, wires, &c., under streets.

15. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes (not forming part of any sewer of the local authority) or any wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a*) One month before commencing any such alteration the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or

plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other

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compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near sewers &c. or gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

16. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines or other works near to which any sewer drain watercourse defence or work under the jurisdiction or control of the local authority or any main pipe pillar syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to the local authority or to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such sewer drain watercourse defence pipe pillar syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owners thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe pillar electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes pillars lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes pillars lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes pillars lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the sewer drain water-course defence pipe electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

17. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

18.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or

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telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

19.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement

of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

As to laying of electric line under special agreement.

20. Twenty-eight days at the least before commencing to lay in any street any electric line which is intended for supplying energy to any particular consumer and not for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall serve upon the local authority and upon the owner or occupier of all premises abutting on so much of the street as lies between the points of origin and termination of the electric line so to be laid a notice stating that the Undertakers intend to lay such electric line and setting forth the effect of this section and if within the said period any two or more of such owners or occupiers shall require in accordance with the provisions of this Order that a supply shall be given to their premises the necessary distributing main shall be laid by the Undertakers at the same time as the electric line intended for such particular consumer.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

21. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds in respect of each such default for each day during which such default continues and if the Board of Trade are of opinion in any case that such default is wilful and unreasonably prolonged they may after considering any representations of the local authority either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

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Manner in which requisition is to be made.

22. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street or where the local authority has the control and management of the public lamps in such street or part of a street by the local authority.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same or by the local authority (as the case may be) and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply and to the local authority on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

23. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition

upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry (if any) as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or per-centage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Provisions on requisition by local authority.

24. Where any such requisition is made by the local authority it shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless at the time when such service is effected or within fourteen days thereafter there be tendered to the Undertakers (if required by them) an agreement executed by the local authority and binding them to take for a period of three years at the least a supply of energy for lighting such public lamps in the street or part of a street in respect of which such requisition is made as may be under their management or control.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

25. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a

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reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least three years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fails to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power

26. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises. Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred

by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Supply of energy to public lamps.

27. The Undertakers upon receiving reasonable notice from the local authority requiring them to supply energy to any public lamps belonging to the local authority within the distance of seventy-five yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain a current of energy for the purposes of general supply under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order shall give and continue to give a supply of energy to such lamps in such quantities as the local authority may require to be supplied.

Penalty for failure to supply.

28. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to the public lamps to which they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each such lamp and for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

29. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

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Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall give notice to the local authority by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and if the local authority become the Undertakers under this Order they shall give the like notice by public advertisement and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to the local authority and to every consumer of energy who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

30. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Provided that if the local authority or the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of seven years after the commencement of this Order make a representation to the Board of Trade that the prices or methods of charge stated in the said schedule or approved by the Board of Trade ought to be altered the Board of Trade after such inquiry as they may think fit may make an order varying the prices or methods of charge stated in the said schedule or so approved as aforesaid or substituting other prices or methods of charge in lieu thereof and the prices or methods of charge so varied or substituted shall have effect on and after such day as may be mentioned in the Order as if they had been stated in the said schedule Provided also that the prices and methods of charge for the time being in force may be altered in like manner at any time after the expiration of any or every period of seven years after the same were last altered.

Other charges by agreement.

31. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Price to public lamps.

32. The price to be charged by the Undertakers and to be paid to them for all energy supplied to the public lamps and the mode in which such charges shall be ascertained shall be settled by agreement between the local authority and the Undertakers and in case of difference by arbitration regard

being had to the circumstances of the case and the distributing or other mains (if any) which may have to be laid for the purpose and the prices charged to ordinary consumers in the district.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

33. The local authority so long as they are not themselves the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

If no electric inspector is appointed by the local authority or if the inspection of electric lines and works is imperfectly attended to by the local authority or if the local authority themselves become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The local authority with the approval of the Board of Trade or the Board of Trade if the inspector is appointed by them may prescribe the manner in which and the times at which any such duties are to be performed by an electric inspector and also the fees to be taken by him and such fees shall be accounted for and applied as may be directed by the local authority or the Board of Trade as the case may be.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

34. The local authority may pay to any electric inspector appointed by them under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as they may determine and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees directed to be paid to electric inspectors in respect of their duties under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order or the principal Act according as the local authority shall determine.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

35. The Board of Trade may also if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

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The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

36. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

37. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by the consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

38. The Undertakers shall at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main establish at their own cost and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the local authority or where the local authority are the Undertakers as the Board of Trade shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and shall place thereat proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade and shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

If any dispute arises between the local authority and the Undertakers as to whether the number of such testing stations and the distance from the main at which they are established is reasonable or excessive or as to any excessive or improper use of energy for such testing or as to the performance by the Undertakers of their duties under this section such dispute shall be determined by arbitration.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

39. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

40. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments at such times and in such manner as he may be directed by the authority by whom he is appointed and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

41. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

42. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

43. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

44. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board

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of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

45. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by a court of summary jurisdiction or (where the inspector is appointed by them) by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the court or Board having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court shall direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

46. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

47. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

48. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

49. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly

certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

50. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

51. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

52. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

53. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

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Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

54. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector or where the local authority are the consumers by an inspector to be appointed by the Board of Trade who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

55. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

56. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

57. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be made on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General or the local authority supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Purchase by local authority.

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58. The local authority if they think fit may by notice in writing to be given within six months of the expiration of twenty-one years from the date of this Order or any subsequent period of seven years require the Undertakers to sell and thereupon the Undertakers shall sell to them all land buildings works material and plant suitable to and used by them for the purposes of the undertaking, and the goodwill of the undertaking at a price to be determined in default of agreement by arbitration and from and after the expiration of the said term the said land buildings works material and plant so purchased shall vest in the local authority freed from any debts mortgages or similar obligations of the Undertakers or attaching to the undertaking.

Special provisions in case of Transfer.

Application of moneys received by local authority as Undertakers.

59. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the following provisions shall have effect :—

(A.) All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows :—

(1) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

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(2) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the local authority.

Any deficiency of income in any year when not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

(B.) All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes;

(2) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

60. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the following provision shall have effect:—

Purchase and use of lands.

Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last before the transfer of the undertaking to the local authority were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artizans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

61. If the local authority become the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order the provisions of section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section "this Act" shall mean this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" shall mean the local authority as such Undertakers.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

62. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the local authority the signature thereof by the clerk or surveyor to the local authority shall be sufficient authentication.

Services of notices &c.

63. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

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(*e*) In the case of the Undertakers or any other company having a registered office the registered office of the Undertakers or such company;

(*f*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of that company;

(*g*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time that is to say Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation of Order where Undertakers are insolvent.

64. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made any default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the terms of this Order and that such default is in consequence of the insolvency of the Undertakers and that by reason of such insolvency the Undertakers are unable fully and efficiently to discharge the duties and obligations imposed upon them by this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary and after considering any representations of the local authority revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers as to any part of the area of supply.

Revocation of Order where undertaking cannot be carried on with profit.

65. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers represent to the Board of Trade that the undertaking cannot be carried on with profit and ought to be abandoned the Board of Trade shall inquire into the truth of such representation and if upon such inquiry they are satisfied of the truth of such representation they may if in their discretion they think fit revoke this Order as to the whole or (with the consent of the Undertakers and of the local authority) as to any part of the area of supply.

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66. In addition to any other powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers and the local authority upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

67. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply under any of the provisions of this Order the following provisions shall have effect:—

Provisions where Order revoked.

(*a*) The Board of Trade shall serve a notice of such revocation upon the Undertakers and upon the local authority and shall in such notice fix a date at which such revocation shall take effect and from and after such date all the powers and liabilities of the Undertakers under this Order for the supply of energy within such area or part thereof as aforesaid shall absolutely cease and determine.

(*b*) Within two months after the service of such notice by the Board of Trade upon the local authority the local authority if they think fit may by notice in writing require the Undertakers to sell and thereupon the Undertakers shall sell to them so much of the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid as is within the district of the local authority upon terms of paying the then value of all lands buildings works materials and plant of the Undertakers suitable to and used by them for the purposes of the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid such value being agreed or estimated in manner directed by the Electric Lighting Act 1888 in the case of purchases effected by the local authority under section two of that Act.

(*c*) Where any purchase is so effected the undertaking or part thereof so purchased shall vest in the local authority freed from any debts mortgages or similar obligations of the Undertakers or attaching to the undertaking and the revocation of this Order as to the whole of the area of supply or such part thereof as aforesaid shall extend only to the revocation of the rights powers authorities duties and obligations of the Undertakers from whom the undertaking or such part thereof as aforesaid is purchased in relation to the supply of energy within such area or part thereof and save as aforesaid this Order shall remain in full force within such area or part thereof in favour of the local authority by whom such undertaking or part thereof is purchased as aforesaid.

(*d*) Where no purchase has been effected under the preceding provisions of this section the local authority and any body or person who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may (subject however to any agreement between the local authority or such body or person and the Undertakers providing for the removal of such works by the Undertakers) forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to the local authority or other such body or person as aforesaid such reasonable costs of such removal and of the reinstate-

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ment of such street or part of a street as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such local authority or other body or person or (if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them) as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) the local authority or other such body or person as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

(*e*) In case the local authority or any body or person may be entitled to compensation for any damage sustained by them by reason or in consequence of the execution of any works within such area or part thereof as aforesaid or the exercise of any powers by this Order granted to the Undertakers or for any expenses to which such local authority body or person may have been put in removing any works of the Undertakers within such area or part thereof under the provisions of this Order such compensation shall be a first charge on any money that may have been deposited or secured by the Undertakers under the provisions of this Order in respect of such area or part thereof and which may not have been repaid or released to the Undertakers and such money shall be applied rateably in satisfying such claims and in every such case the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of the various claims and the persons to whom it is to be paid shall be determined by arbitration.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

68. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General

the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

69. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and a true copy thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be forthwith served upon the local authority and like copies shall also be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

70. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

71. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or

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assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

Approval or consent of Board of Trade.

72. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit All costs and expenses of or incident to any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

73. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or where the Board of Trade upon the application of the local authority or the Undertakers revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the body by whom such application was made as aforesaid.

Notice of application for extension of time &c. to be given to local authority.

74. Where any application is made to the Board of Trade to extend any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers notice of such application shall be served on the local authority by the Undertakers and an opportunity shall be given to the local authority to make representations or objections with reference thereto.

Recovery and application of penalties.

75. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by an officer of the local authority shall if there is an electric inspector for the time being appointed by the

local authority be paid to such officer and by him to the local authority and shall be applied in aid of the local rate.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any other body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

76. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

As to mortgages.

77. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the Undertakers borrowing money on the security of mortgages of the undertaking or shall make the consent or approval of the Board of Trade necessary to the validity or effect of any such mortgage Provided that every mortgage of the undertaking shall be deemed to comprise all purchase money which may be paid to the Undertakers in the event of any sale or transfer of the undertaking or any part thereof under section two of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 or under this Order and that any mortgage granted by the Undertakers shall not be a charge upon the undertaking or any part thereof in the event of the undertaking or such part being sold or transferred as aforesaid and that every mortgage deed granted by the Undertakers shall be endorsed with notice to that effect.

Saving clause for Postmaster General.

78. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

79. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provision as to general Acts.

80. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Revocation of licence.

81. The Shropshire Electric Light and Power Company's Licence 1893 is hereby revoked as from the commencement of this Order but without prejudice to anything done or suffered before such commencement.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

So much of the borough of Shrewsbury as lies on the north bank of the River Severn to the south and south-west of an imaginary line drawn from the north-west corner of the waterworks to Coton Hill along Coton Hill to Cross Street and along Cross Street to the point where the same is crossed by the bridge of the London and North-Western and Great Western Joint Railways and thence to a point where the same river is crossed by the viaduct or railway bridge of the same railways but excluding the railway station of the said London and North-Western and Great Western Joint Railways and any property of the London and North-Western and Great Western Railway Companies and so much of the borough of Shrewsbury as lies on the south bank of the River Severn within a line drawn from the River Severn at the Boat House Inn to the Hanwood Road and along the said road until it reaches Port Hill and then down the lane from Port Hill to Rea Brook and then along the said brook to the River Severn.

Provided that in case of difference between the above description and the area delineated upon the deposited map the latter shall prevail.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order:—

Castle Street from a point near entrance to School Lane Court and Gardens to its junction with Pride Hill Pride Hill Mardol Head Shoplatch including that portion of St. John's Hill from Mardol Head to Theatre Royal St. Mary's Street Dogpole from Pride Hill to a point opposite the Lion Hotel on Wyle Cop High Street Market Street The Square Princess Street Belmont from its junction with Princess Street to its junction with Milk Street Milk Street Wyle Cop from High Street to point opposite Lion Hotel Eagle Foundry Square and thoroughfare called Seventy Steps.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order:—

(*a.*) *Streets:—*

St. Mary Street Swan Hill Court Quarry Place Kingsland Bridge Company's Road and Bridge Canonbury road belonging to the governing body of Shrewsbury School.

(*b.*) *Railways:—*

None.

(*c.*) *Tramways:—*

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule—

The expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section one of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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WAKEFIELD CORPORATION ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Mayor Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Wakefield in respect of the City of Wakefield.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Wakefield Corporation Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as "the principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers;

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy by the Undertakers;

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected where telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of for both plan and section together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the Mayor Aldermen and Citizens of the city of Wakefield.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon coloured red.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the said Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

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(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connexion is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the concurrence of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purposes of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied either wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the said fifteenth day of December but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways

(if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connexion with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. Where the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire.

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers.

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapproves of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same,

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(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved such works and plan.

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or is to be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council in addition to those served upon the Postmaster-General and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy.

As to streets not repairable by local authority railways tramways and canals.

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person

liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof.

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible.

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause to be executed the works specified in such notice and plan aforesaid and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works.

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in case of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer

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The said notice shall be in addition to any other notices which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act.

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of any of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where such body or person as aforesaid (in this section referred to as the "givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency.

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise or discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged.

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions

as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable.

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice.

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice.

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested :—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as

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the "operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or person for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations shall be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire.

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly.

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purpose for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible.

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties.

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided.

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made.

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any such notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable.

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them.

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily.

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operators not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given.

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes (other than service pipes) or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as the "owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid

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and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owner thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any mains pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such mains pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes lines or services as conductors for the purposes of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding ten pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all

descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owner of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric lines so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of

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opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any owner of any existing rights to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representations of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they

desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified produce an annual sum amounting to the sum specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition

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upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards from any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric lines as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers if required by them so to do to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the

area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may after they have given a supply of energy for any premises by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one montn's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

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Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows :—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them ;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters ; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspectors.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution for any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees any fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused

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or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connexion with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or (as the case may be) after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid.

Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in any three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection and testing of the service lines apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and the regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

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Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testing.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

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Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connexion with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of some construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and do all necessary acts Provided that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meter.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meter let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meter to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on

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all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters where method of charge altered.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof.

The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and

cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1.) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking.

(2.) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes.

(3.) In providing any instalments or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

(4.) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital.

(5.) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

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Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital money.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows :—

(1.) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2.) In reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and where any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Service of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively :—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time (that is to say) Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

Transfer of powers &c.

59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any)

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and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

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(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any.

General.

Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies

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thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of or incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board of Trade including the cost of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

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65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board of Trade so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Notice of approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or under any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Recovery and application of penalties.

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Saving for Postmaster-General.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceedings for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Undertakers not exempted from proceedings for nuisance.

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefits of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

Provision as to general Acts.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply :—

The City of Wakefield as the same is constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order :—

Wood Street Market Place that portion of Northgate extending from its junction with Kirkgate and Westgate to Union Street that portion of Westgate extending from its junction with Kirkgate to Market Street Silver Street.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(A.) Streets :

The road leading from land lying between the Normanton and Goole lines of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company and under the arch of the Goole line aforesaid to Calder Vale Road.

The portion of Calder Vale Road extending from the grain warehouses of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company for a distance of 735 yards in an easterly direction.

The road leading from the aforesaid land lying between the Normanton and Goole lines of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company and under the arch of the Normanton line aforesaid to Park Lodge Lane.

(b.) Railways:

The level crossing of the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company and the Great Northern Railway Company in Thornes Lane.

The level crossings in Calder Vale Road leading from the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway to premises in the occupation of John Kilner and Sons Edward Green and Son Limited and the Seamless Steel Boat Company Limited.

(c.) Tramways:

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter:—For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section one of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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YEADON ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Provisional Order granted by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 *and* 1888 *to the Yeadon Local Board in respect of the District of the said Local Board in the County of York.*

Preliminary.

Short title.

1. This Order may be cited as the Yeadon Electric Lighting Order 1894.

Interpretation.

2. This Order is to be read and construed subject in all respects to the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and of any other Acts or parts of Acts incorporated therewith which said Acts and parts of Acts are in this Order collectively referred to as the "principal Act" and the several words terms and expressions to which by the principal Act meanings are assigned shall have in this Order the same respective meanings provided that in this Order :—

The expression "energy" shall mean electrical energy and for the purposes of applying the provisions of the principal Act to this Order electrical energy shall be deemed to be an agency within the meaning of electricity as defined in the Electric Lighting Act 1882;

The expression "power" shall mean electrical power or the rate per unit of time at which energy is supplied;

The expression "main" shall mean any electric line which may be laid down by the Undertakers in any street or public place and through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers for the purposes of general supply;

The expression "service line" shall mean any electric line through which energy may be supplied or intended to be supplied by the Undertakers to a consumer either from any main or directly from the premises of the Undertakers:

The expression "distributing main" shall mean the portion of any main which is used for the purpose of giving origin to service lines for the purpose of general supply;

The expression "general supply" shall mean the general supply of energy to ordinary consumers but shall not include the supply of energy to any one or more particular consumers under special agreement;

The expression "area of supply" shall mean the area within which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under the provisions of this Order;

The expression "consumer" shall mean any body or person supplied or entitled to be supplied with energy to the Undertakers;

The expression "consumer's terminals" shall mean the ends of the electric lines situate upon any consumer's premises and belonging to him at which the supply of energy is delivered from the service lines;

The expression "telegraphic line" when used with respect to any telegraph line of the Postmaster-General shall have the same meaning as in the Telegraph Act 1878 and any such telegraphic line shall be deemed to be injuriously affected when telegraphic communication by means of such line is whether through induction or otherwise in any manner affected;

The expression "railway" shall include any tramroad that is to say any tramway other than a tramway as herein-after defined;

The expression "tramway" shall mean any tramway laid along any street;

The expression "daily penalty" shall mean a penalty for each day on which any offence is continued after conviction thereof;

The expressions "First Schedule" "Second Schedule" "Third Schedule" and "Fourth Schedule" shall mean the First Second Third and Fourth Schedules to this Order annexed respectively;

The expression "deposited map" shall mean the map of the area of supply deposited at the Board of Trade by the Undertakers together with this Order and signed by an assistant secretary to the Board of Trade;

The expression "plan" shall mean a plan drawn to a horizontal scale of at least one inch to eighty-eight feet and where possible a section drawn to the same horizontal scale as the plan and to a vertical scale of at least one inch to eleven feet or to such other scales as the Board of Trade may approve of together with such detail plan and sections as may be necessary.

Commencement of Order.

3. This Order shall come into force and have effect upon the day when the Act confirming this Order is passed which date is in this Order referred to as "the commencement of this Order."

Description of the Undertakers.

Description of Undertakers.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Order the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order shall be the local board of Yeadon.

Area of Supply.

Area of supply.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order the area of supply shall be the whole of the area included in the First Schedule which said area is more particularly delineated upon the deposited map and thereon surrounded by a pink line.

Nature and Mode of Supply.

Systems and mode of supply.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may supply energy within the area of supply for all public and private purposes as defined by the principal Act provided as follows:—

(1.) Such energy shall be supplied only by means of some system which shall be approved of in writing by the Board of Trade and subject to such

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regulations and conditions for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of energy as the Board of Trade may impose; and

(2.) The Undertakers shall not without the express consent of the Board of Trade place any electric line above ground except within premises in the sole occupation or control of the Undertakers and except so much of any service line as is necessarily so placed for the purpose of supply; and

(3.) The Undertakers shall not permit any part of any circuit to be connected with earth except so far as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of any such regulations and conditions as aforesaid unless such connection is for the time being approved of by the Board of Trade with the consent of the Postmaster-General and is made in accordance with the conditions (if any) of such approval.

Lands.

Purchase and use of lands.

7. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may acquire by purchase or on lease and use any lands for the purpose of this Order and may also for such purposes use any other lands for the time being vested in or leased by them but subject as to such last-mentioned lands to the approval of the Local Government Board and may from time to time dispose of any lands acquired by them under the provisions of this section which may not for the time being be required for the purposes of this Order Provided that the amount of land so used by them shall not at any one time exceed in the whole five acres except with the consent of the Board of Trade.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not purchase or acquire for the purposes of this Order ten or more houses which on the fifteenth day of December last were occupied wholly or partially by persons belonging to the labouring class as tenants or lodgers or except with the consent of the Local Government Board ten or more houses which were not so occupied on the fifteenth day of December but have been or shall be subsequently so occupied.

For the purposes of this section the expression "labouring class" means and includes mechanics artisans labourers and others working for wages hawkers costermongers persons not working for wages but working at some trade or handicraft without employing others except members of their own family and persons other than domestic servants whose income does not exceed an average of thirty shillings a week and the families of any of such persons who may be residing with them.

Works.

Powers for execution of works.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act the Undertakers may exercise all or any of the powers conferred on them by this Order and the principal Act and may break up such streets not repairable by the local authority and such railways and tramways (if any) as are specified in the Third Schedule so far as such streets railways and tramways may for the time being be included in the area of supply and be or be upon land dedicated to public use Provided however as respects any such

railway that the powers hereby granted shall extend only to such parts thereof as pass across or along any highway on the level.

Nothing in this Order shall authorise or empower the Undertakers to break up or interfere with any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or any railway or tramway except such streets railways or tramways (if any) or such parts thereof as are specified in the said schedule without the consent of the authority company or person by whom such street railway or tramway is repairable or of the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 and where the Board of Trade give such consent the provisions of this Order shall apply to the street railway or tramway to which the consent relates as if it had been specified in the said schedule.

Street boxes.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and any regulations made under this Order the Undertakers may construct in any street such boxes as may be necessary for purposes in connection with the supply of energy including apparatus for the proper ventilation of such boxes.

Every such box shall be for the exclusive use of the Undertakers and under their sole control except so far as the Board of Trade may otherwise order and shall be used by the Undertakers only for the purpose of leading off service lines and other distributing conductors or for examining testing regulating measuring directing or controlling the supply of energy or for examining or testing the condition of the mains or other portions of the works or for other like purposes connected with the undertaking and the Undertakers may place therein meters switches and any other suitable and proper apparatus for any of the above purposes.

Every such box including the upper surface or covering thereof shall be constructed of such materials and shall be constructed and maintained by the Undertakers in such manner as not to be a source of danger whether by reason of inequality of surface or otherwise.

Notice of works with plan to be served on the Postmaster-General.

10. When the exercise of any of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works (including the construction of boxes) will involve the placing of any works in under along or across any street or public bridge the following provisions shall have effect:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall serve a notice upon the Postmaster-General describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and the manner in which it is intended that such street or bridge is to be interfered with and shall upon being required to do so by the Postmaster-General give him any such further information in relation thereto as he may desire;

(*b.*) The Postmaster-General may in his discretion approve of any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit

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or may disapprove of the same and may give notice of such approval or disapproval to the Undertakers;

(*c.*) Where the Postmaster-General approves any such works or plan subject to any amendments or conditions with which the Undertakers are dissatisfied or disapprove of any such works or plan the Undertakers may appeal to the Board of Trade and the Board of Trade may inquire into the matter and may allow or disallow such appeal and approve any such works or plan subject to such amendments or conditions as may seem fit or may disapprove the same;

(*d.*) If the Postmaster-General fail to give any such notice of approval or disapproval to the Undertakers within one month after the service of the notice upon him he shall be deemed to have approved of such works or plan;

(*e.*) Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not be entitled to execute any such works as above specified except so far as the same may be of a description and in accordance with a plan which has been approved or be deemed to have been approved by the Postmaster-General or by the Board of Trade as above mentioned but where any such works description and plan are so approved or to be deemed to be approved the Undertakers may cause such works to be executed in accordance with such description and plan subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act;

(*f.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the Postmaster-General for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Where any street or public bridge is repairable by the county council the Undertakers shall serve a like notice and plan upon the county council and the foregoing provisions of this section shall with the necessary modifications apply to the county council in like manner as to the Postmaster-General.

Nothing in this section shall exempt the Undertakers from any penalty or obligation to which they may be liable under this Order or otherwise by law in the event of any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General being at any time injuriously affected by the Undertakers' works or their supply of energy

As to streets not repairable by local

11. Where the exercise of the powers of the Undertakers in relation to the execution of any works will involve the placing of any works in under along

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authorities or county council railways tramways and canals.

or across any street or part of a street not repairable by the local authority or the county council or over or under any railway tramway or canal the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing the execution of any such works (not being the repairs renewals or amendments of existing works of which the character and position are not altered) the Undertakers shall in addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act serve a notice upon the body or person liable to repair such street or part of a street or the body or person for the time being entitled to work such railway or tramway or the owners of such canal as the case may be (in this section referred to as "the owners") describing the proposed works together with a plan of the works showing the mode and position in which such works are intended to be executed and placed and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them any such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(*b.*) Every such notice shall contain a reference to this section and direct the attention of the owners to whom it is given to the provisions thereof;

(*c.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the Undertakers requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof and any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(*d.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such street railway tramway or canal and may if he thinks fit require the Undertakers to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid any interference with any traffic so far as may be possible;

(*e.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the Undertakers or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the Undertakers may upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure cause the works specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be executed and may repair renew and amend the same (provided that their character and position are not altered) but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as hereinbefore mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

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(*f.*) All works to be executed by the Undertakers under this section shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the owners who shall have the right to be present during the execution of such works;

(*g.*) Where the repair renewal or amendment of any existing works of which the character or position is not altered will involve any interference with any railway level crossing or with any tramway over or under which such works have been placed the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties or in cases of emergency give to the owners not less than twenty-four hours' notice before commencing to effect such repair renewal or amendment and the owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the Undertakers shall conform to such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer The said notice shall be in addition to any other notice which the Undertakers may be required to give under this Order or the principal Act;

(*h.*) If the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss or damage which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

Street authority &c. may give notice of desire to break up streets &c. on behalf of Undertakers.

12. Any body or person for the time being liable to repair any street or part of a street or entitled to work any railway or tramway which the Undertakers may be empowered to break up for the purposes of this Order may if they think fit serve a notice upon the Undertakers stating that they desire to exercise or discharge all or any part of the powers or duties of the Undertakers as therein specified in relation to the breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any streets bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works vested in or under the control or management of such body or person and may amend or revoke any such notice by another notice similarly served Where any such body or person (in this section referred to as "the givers of the notice") have given notice that they desire to exercise or discharge any such specified powers and duties of the Undertakers then so long as such notice remains in force the following provisions shall have effect unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) The Undertakers shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid except where they have required the givers of the notice to exercise or discharge such

powers or duties and the givers of the notice have refused or neglected to comply with such requisition as herein-after provided or in cases of emergency;

(*b.*) In addition to any other notices which they may be required to give under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act the Undertakers shall not more than four days and not less than two days before the exercise and discharge of any such powers or duties so specified as aforesaid is required to be commenced serve a requisition upon the givers of the notice stating the time when such exercise or discharge is required to be commenced and the manner in which any such powers or duties are required to be exercised or discharged;

(*c.*) Upon receipt of any such requisition as last aforesaid the givers of the notice may proceed to exercise or discharge any such powers or duties as required by the Undertakers subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the Undertakers would themselves be subject to in such exercise or discharge so far as the same may be applicable;

(*d.*) If the givers of the notice decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such exercise or discharge of any powers or duties is by any requisition required to be commenced neglect to comply with such requisition the Undertakers may themselves proceed to exercise or discharge the powers or duties therein specified in like manner as they might have done if such notice as aforesaid had not been given to them by the givers of the notice;

(*e.*) In any case of emergency the Undertakers may themselves proceed to at once exercise or discharge so much of any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid as may be necessary for the actual remedying of any defect from which the emergency arises without serving any requisition on the givers of the notice but in such case the Undertakers shall within twelve hours after they begin to exercise or discharge such powers or duties as aforesaid give information thereof in writing to the givers of the notice;

(*f.*) If the Undertakers exercise or discharge any such specified powers or duties as aforesaid otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such offence and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances;

(*g.*) All expenses properly incurred by the givers of the notice in complying with any requisition of the Undertakers under this section shall be repaid to them by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily.

Provided that nothing in this section shall in any way affect the rights of the Undertakers to exercise or discharge any powers or duties conferred or imposed upon them by this Order or the principal Act in relation to the

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execution of any works beyond the actual breaking up filling in reinstating or making good any such street or part of a street or any such bridges sewers drains tunnels or other works or railway or tramway as in this section mentioned.

As to alteration of pipes wires &c. under streets.

13. The Undertakers may alter the position of any pipes or wires being under any street or place authorised to be broken up by them which may interfere with the exercise of their powers under the principal Act or this Order and any body or person may in like manner alter the position of any electric lines or works of the Undertakers being under any such street or place as aforesaid which may interfere with the lawful exercise of any powers vested in such body or person in relation to such street or place subject to the following provisions unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested:—

(*a.*) One month before commencing any such alterations the Undertakers or such body or person (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall serve a notice upon the body or persons for the time being entitled to such pipes wires electric lines or works (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" describing the proposed alterations together with a plan showing the manner in which it is intended that such alterations should be made and shall upon being required to do so by any such owners give them such further information in relation thereto as they may desire;

(*b.*) Within three weeks after the service of any such notice and plan upon any owners such owners may if they think fit serve a requisition upon the operators requiring that any question in relation to such works or to compensation in respect thereof or any other question arising upon such notice or plan as aforesaid shall be settled by arbitration and thereupon such question unless settled by agreement shall be settled by arbitration accordingly;

(*c.*) In settling any question under this section an arbitrator shall have regard to any duties or obligations which the owners may be under in respect of such pipes wires electric lines or works and may if he thinks fit require the operators to execute any temporary or other works so as to avoid interference with any purposes for which such pipes wires electric lines or works are used so far as may be possible;

(*d.*) Where no such requisition as in this section mentioned is served upon the operators the owners shall be held to have agreed to the notice or plan served on them as aforesaid and in such case or where after any such requisition has been served upon them any question required to be settled by arbitration has been so settled the operators upon paying or securing any compensation which they may be required to pay or secure may cause the alterations specified in such notice and plan as aforesaid to be made but subject in all respects to the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and only in accordance with the notice and plan so served by them as aforesaid or such modifications thereof respectively as may have been settled by arbitration as herein-before mentioned or as may be agreed upon between the parties;

(*e.*) At any time before any operators are entitled to commence any such alterations as aforesaid the owners may serve a statement upon the operators stating that they desire to execute such alterations themselves and where any such statement has been served upon the operators they shall not be entitled to proceed themselves to execute such alterations except where they have notified to such owners that they require them to execute such alterations and such owners have refused or neglected to comply with such notification as herein-after provided;

(*f.*) Where any such statement as last aforesaid has been served upon the operators they shall not more than forty-eight hours and not less than twenty-four hours before the execution of such alterations is required to be commenced serve a notification upon the owners stating the time when such alterations are required to be commenced and the manner in which such alterations are required to be made;

(*g.*) Upon receipt of any notification as last aforesaid the owners may proceed to execute such alterations as required by the operators subject to the like restrictions and conditions as the operators would themselves be subject to in executing such alterations so far as the same may be applicable;

(*h.*) If the owners decline or for twenty-four hours after the time when any such alterations are required to be commenced neglect to comply with such notification the operators may themselves proceed to execute such alterations in like manner as they might have done if no such statement as aforesaid had been served upon them;

(*i.*) All expenses properly incurred by any owners in complying with any notification of any operators under this section shall be repaid to them by such operators and may be recovered summarily;

(*j.*) Any owners may if they think fit by any statement served by them under this section upon any operator not being a local authority require the said operators to give them such security for the repayment to them of any expenses to be incurred by them in executing any alterations as above mentioned as may be determined in manner provided by this Order and where any operators have been so required to give security they shall not be entitled to serve a notification upon the owners requiring them to execute such alterations until such security has been duly given;

(*k.*) If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall (in addition to any other compensation which they may be liable to make under the provisions of this Order or the principal Act) make full compensation to the owners affected thereby for any loss damage or penalty which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances.

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Laying of electric lines &c. near gas or water pipes or other electric lines.

14. Where the Undertakers require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new electric lines (other than service lines) or other works near to which any main pipe syphon electric line or other work belonging to any gas electric supply or water company has been lawfully placed or where any gas or water company require to dig or sink any trench for laying down or constructing any new mains or pipes other than service pipes or other works near to which any lines or works of the Undertakers have been lawfully placed the Undertakers or such gas or water company (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the operators" shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested or in case of sudden emergency give to such gas electric supply or water company or to the Undertakers (as the case may be) in this section referred to as "the owners" not less than three days' notice before commencing to dig or sink such trench as aforesaid and such owners shall be entitled by their officer to superintend the work and the operators shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by the owners or such officer for protecting from injury every such main pipe syphon electric line or work and for securing access thereto and they shall also if required to do so by the owners thereof repair any damage that may be done thereto.

Where the operators find it necessary to undermine but not alter the position of any pipe electric line or work they shall temporarily support the same in position during the execution of their works and before completion provide a suitable and proper foundation for the same where so undermined.

Where the operators (being the Undertakers) lay any electric line crossing or liable to touch any main pipes lines or services belonging to any gas electric supply or water company the conducting portion of such electric line shall be effectively insulated in a manner approved by the Board of Trade and the Undertakers shall not except with the consent of the gas electric supply or water company as the case may be and of the Board of Trade lay their electric lines so as to come into contact with any such main pipes lines or services or except with the like consent employ any such mains pipes or services as conductors for the purpose of their supply of energy.

Any question or difference which may arise under this section shall be determined by arbitration.

If the operators make default in complying with any of the requirements or restrictions of this section they shall make full compensation to all owners affected thereby for any loss damage penalty or costs which they may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds Provided that the operators shall not be subject to any such penalty if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the operators complied with the requirements and restrictions of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the operators were ignorant of the position of the main pipe syphon electric line or work affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the operators.

For the purposes of this section the expression "gas company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying gas the expression "water company" shall mean any body or person lawfully supplying water or water-power and the expression "electric supply company" shall mean any body or person supplying energy under the principal Act but not under this Order.

For protection of railway and canal companies.

15. In the exercise of any of the powers of this Order relating to the execution of works the Undertakers shall not in any way injure the railways tunnels arches works or conveniences belonging to any railway or canal company nor obstruct or interfere with the working of the traffic passing along any railway or canal.

For protection of telegraphic and telephonic wires.

16.—(1.) The Undertakers shall take all reasonable precautions in constructing laying down and placing their electric lines and other works of all descriptions and in working their undertaking so as not injuriously to affect whether by induction or otherwise the working of any wire or line from time to time used for the purpose of telegraphic telephonic or electric signalling communication or the currents in such wire or line whether such wire or line be or be not in existence at the time of the laying down or placing of such electric lines or other works If any question arises between the Undertakers and the owners of any such wire or line as to whether the Undertakers have constructed laid down or placed their electric lines or other works or worked their undertaking in contravention of this sub-section and as to whether the working of such wire or line or the current therein is or is not injuriously affected thereby such question shall be determined by arbitration and the arbitrator (unless he is of opinion that such wire or line not having been so in existence at such time as aforesaid has been placed in unreasonable proximity to the electric lines or works of the Undertakers) may direct the Undertakers to make any alterations in or additions to their system so as to comply with the provisions of this section and the Undertakers shall make such alterations or additions accordingly.

(2.) Seven days before commencing to lay down or place any electric line or to use any electric line in any manner whereby the work of telegraphic or telephonic or electric signalling communication through any wire or line lawfully laid down or placed in any position may be injuriously affected the Undertakers shall unless otherwise agreed between the parties interested give to the owner of such wire or line notice in writing specifying the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the manner in which such electric line is intended to be used and the amount and nature of the currents intended to be transmitted thereby and the extent to and manner in which (if at all) earth returns are proposed to be used and any owner entitled to receive such notice may from time to time serve a requisition on the Undertakers requiring them to adopt such precautions as may be therein specified in regard to the laying placing or user of such electric line for the purpose of preventing such injurious affection and the Undertakers shall conform with such reasonable requirements as may be made by such owner for the purpose of preventing the communication through such wire or line from being injuriously affected as aforesaid.

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If any difference arises between any such owner and the Undertakers with respect to the reasonableness of any requirements so made such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall apply to repairs or renewals of any electric line so long as the course nature and gauge of such electric line and the amount and nature of the current transmitted thereby are not altered.

(3.) If in any case the Undertakers make default in complying with the requirements of this section they shall make full compensation to every such owner as aforesaid for any loss or damage which he may incur by reason thereof and in addition thereto they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds for every such default and to a daily penalty not exceeding forty shillings Provided that the Undertakers shall not be subject to any such penalties as aforesaid if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that the case was one of emergency and that the Undertakers complied with the requirements of this section so far as was reasonable under the circumstances or that the default in question was due to the fact that the Undertakers were ignorant of the position of the wire or line affected thereby and that such ignorance was not owing to any negligence on the part of the Undertakers.

(4.) Nothing in this section contained shall be held to deprive any such owner of any existing right to proceed against the Undertakers by indictment action or otherwise in relation to any of the matters aforesaid.

Compulsory Works.

Mains &c. to be laid down in streets specified in Second Schedule and in remainder of area of supply.

17.—(1.) The Undertakers shall within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every street or part of a street specified in that behalf in the Second Schedule and shall thereafter maintain the same.

(2.) In addition to the mains herein-before specified the Undertakers shall at any time after the expiration of eighteen months after the commencement of this Order lay down suitable and sufficient distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout every other street or part of a street within the area of supply upon being required to do so in manner by this Order provided.

All such mains as last above mentioned (unless already laid down) shall be laid down by the Undertakers within six months after any requisition in that behalf served upon them in accordance with the provisions of this Order has become binding upon them or such further time as may in any case be approved of by the Board of Trade.

(3.) When any such requisition is made in respect of any street not repairable by the local authority which is not mentioned in the Third Schedule the Undertakers shall (unless the authority or person by whom such street is repairable consent to the breaking up thereof) forthwith apply to the Board of Trade under section thirteen of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 for the written consent of the Board authorising and empowering the Undertakers to break up such street and the requisition shall not be binding upon them if the Board of Trade refuse their consent in that behalf.

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If Undertakers fail to lay down mains &c. Order may be revoked.

18. If the Undertakers make default in laying down any distributing mains in accordance with the provisions of this Order within the periods prescribed in that behalf respectively the Board of Trade may after considering any representation of the Undertakers either revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply or if the Undertakers so desire suffer the same to remain in force as to such area or part thereof subject to such conditions as they may think fit to impose and any conditions so imposed shall be binding on and observed by the Undertakers and shall be of the like force and effect in every respect as though they were contained in this Order Provided that the Board of Trade shall not revoke this Order as to any part of the area of supply where the Undertakers make a representation that they desire to be relieved of their liabilities as respects the rest of the area of supply and in such case the Board of Trade shall not under this section revoke this Order otherwise than as to the whole of the area of supply.

Manner in which requisition is to be made.

19. Any requisition requiring the Undertakers to lay down distributing mains for the purposes of general supply throughout any street or part of a street may be made by six or more owners or occupiers of premises along such street or part of a street.

Every such requisition shall be signed by the persons making the same and shall be served upon the Undertakers.

Forms of requisition shall be kept by the Undertakers at their office and a copy shall be supplied free of charge to any owner or occupier of premises within the area of supply on application for the same and any requisition so supplied shall be deemed valid in point of form.

Provisions on requisition by owners or occupiers.

20. Where any such requisition is made by any such owners or occupiers as aforesaid the Undertakers (if they think fit) may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them serve a notice on all the persons by whom the requisition is signed stating that they decline to be bound by such requisition unless such persons or some of them will bind themselves to take or will guarantee that there shall be taken a supply of energy for three years of such amount in the aggregate (to be specified by the Undertakers in such notice) as will at the rates of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy from distributing mains to ordinary consumers within the area of supply produce annually such reasonable sum as shall be specified by the Undertakers in such notice Provided that in such notice the Undertakers shall not without the authority of the Board of Trade specify any sum exceeding twenty per centum upon the expense of providing and erecting or laying down the required distributing mains and any other mains or additions to existing mains which may be necessary for the purpose of connecting such distributing mains with the nearest available source of supply.

Where such notice is served the requisition shall not be binding on the Undertakers unless within fourteen days after the service of such notice on all the persons signing the requisition has been effected or in case of difference the delivery of the arbitrator's award there be tendered to the Undertakers an agreement severally executed by such persons or some of them binding them to take or guaranteeing that there shall be taken for a period of three years at the

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least such specified amounts of energy respectively as will in the aggregate at the rates of charge above specified in the notice or determined by arbitration under this section nor unless sufficient security for the payment to the Undertakers of all moneys which may become due to them from such persons under such agreement is offered to the Undertakers (if required by them by such notice as aforesaid) within the period limited for the tender of the agreement as aforesaid.

If the Undertakers consider that the requisition is unreasonable or that under the circumstances of the case the provisions of this section ought to be varied they may within fourteen days after the service of the requisition upon them appeal to the Board of Trade who after such inquiry if any as they shall think fit may by order either determine that the requisition is unreasonable and shall not be binding upon the Undertakers or may authorise the Undertakers by their notice to require a supply of energy to be taken for such longer period than three years and to specify such sum or percentage whether calculated as herein-before provided or otherwise as shall be fixed or directed by the order and the terms of the above-mentioned agreement shall be varied accordingly.

In case of any such appeal to the Board of Trade any notice by the Undertakers under this section may be served by them within fourteen days after the decision of the Board of Trade.

If any difference arises between the Undertakers and any persons signing any such requisition as to any such notice or agreement such difference shall subject to the provisions of this section and to the decision of the Board of Trade upon any such appeal as aforesaid be determined by arbitration.

Supply.

Undertakers to furnish sufficient supply of energy to owners and occupiers within the area of supply.

21. The Undertakers shall upon being required to do so by the owner or occupier of any premises situate within fifty yards of any distributing main of the Undertakers in which they are for the time being required to maintain or are maintaining a supply of energy for the purposes of general supply to private consumers under this Order or any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order give and continue to give a supply of energy for such premises in accordance with the provisions of this Order and of all such regulations and conditions as aforesaid and they shall furnish and lay any electric lines that may be necessary for the purpose of supplying the maximum power with which any such owner or occupier may be entitled to be supplied under this Order subject to the conditions following (that is to say):—

The cost of so much of any electric line for the supply of energy to any owner or occupier as may be laid upon the property of such owner or in the possession of such occupier and of so much of any such electric line as it may be necessary to lay for a greater distance than sixty feet from any distributing main of the Undertakers although not on such property shall if the Undertakers so require be defrayed by such owner or occupier.

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Every owner or occupier of premises requiring a supply of energy shall—

Serve a notice upon the Undertakers specifying the premises in respect of which such supply is required and the maximum power required to be supplied and the day (not being an earlier day than a reasonable time after the date of the service of such notice) upon which such supply is required to commence; and

Enter into a written contract with the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) to continue to receive and pay for a supply of energy for a period of at least two years of such an amount that the payment to be made for the same at the rate of charge for the time being charged by the Undertakers for a supply of energy to ordinary consumers within the area of supply shall not be less than twenty pounds per centum per annum on the outlay incurred by the Undertakers in providing any electric lines required under this section to be provided by them for the purpose of such supply and give to the Undertakers (if required by them so to do) security for the payment to them of all moneys which may become due to them by such owner or occupier in respect of any electric lines to be furnished by the Undertakers and in respect of energy to be supplied by them.

Provided always that the Undertakers may (after they have given a supply of energy for any premises) by notice in writing require the owner or occupier of such premises within seven days after the date of the service of such notice to give to them security for the payment of all moneys which may become due to them in respect of such supply in case such owner or occupier has not already given such security or in case any security given has become invalid or is insufficient and in case any such owner or occupier fail to comply with the terms of such notice the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy for such premises so long as such failure continues.

Provided also that if the owner or occupier of any such premises as aforesaid uses any form of lamp or burner or uses the energy supplied to him by the Undertakers for any purposes or deals with it in any manner so as to unduly or improperly interfere with the efficient supply of energy to any other body or person by the Undertakers the Undertakers may if they think fit discontinue to supply energy to such premises so long as such user continues.

Provided also that the Undertakers shall not be compelled to give a supply of energy to any premises unless they are reasonably satisfied that the electric lines fittings and apparatus therein are in good order and condition and not calculated to affect injuriously the use of energy by the Undertakers or by any other persons.

If any difference arises under this section as to any improper use of energy or as to any alleged defect in any electric lines fittings or apparatus such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Maximum power.

22. The maximum power with which any consumer shall be entitled to be supplied shall be of such amount as he may require to be supplied with not exceeding what may be reasonably anticipated as the maximum

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consumption on his premises Provided that where any consumer has required the Undertakers to supply him with a maximum power of any specified amount he shall not be entitled to alter that maximum except upon one month's notice to the Undertakers and any expenses reasonably incurred by the Undertakers in respect of the service lines by which energy is supplied to the premises of such consumer or any fittings or apparatus of the Undertakers upon such premises consequent upon such alteration shall be paid by him to the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

If any difference arises between any such owner or occupier and the Undertakers as to what may be reasonably anticipated as the consumption on his premises or as to the reasonableness of any expenses under this section such difference shall be determined by arbitration.

Penalty for failure to supply.

23. Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy to any owner or occupier of premises to whom they may be and are required to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings in respect of every such default for each day on which any such default occurs.

Whenever the Undertakers make default in supplying energy in accordance with the terms of any regulations and conditions subject to which they are authorised to supply energy under this Order they shall be liable to such penalties as may by such regulations and conditions be prescribed in that behalf.

Provided that the penalties to be inflicted on the Undertakers under this section shall in no case exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty pounds in respect of any defaults not being wilful defaults on the part of the Undertakers for any one day and provided also that in no case shall any penalty be inflicted in respect of any default if the court having cognizance of the case shall be of opinion that such default was caused by inevitable accident or force majeure or was of so slight or unimportant a character as not materially to affect the value of the supply.

Price.

Methods of charging.

24. The Undertakers may charge for energy supplied by them to any ordinary consumer (otherwise than by agreement)—

(1.) By the actual amount of energy so supplied; or

(2.) By the electrical quantity contained in such supply; or

(3.) By such other method as may for the time being be approved by the Board of Trade.

Provided that where the Undertakers charge by any method so approved by the Board of Trade any consumer who objects to that method may by one month's notice in writing require the Undertakers to charge him at their option by the actual amount of energy supplied to him or by the electrical quantity contained in such supply and thereafter the Undertakers shall not except with the consumer's consent charge him by any other method.

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Provided also that before commencing to supply energy through any distributing main for the purposes of general supply the Undertakers shall by public advertisement give notice by what method they propose to charge for energy supplied through such main and where the Undertakers have given any such notice they shall not be entitled to change such method of charging except after one month's notice of such change has been given by them to every consumer who is supplied by them from such main.

Maximum prices.

25. The prices to be charged by the Undertakers for energy supplied by them shall not exceed those stated in that behalf in the Fourth Schedule in the first and second sections thereof respectively or in the case of a method of charge approved of by the Board of Trade such price as the Board shall on approving such method determine.

Other charges by agreement.

26. Subject to the provisions of this Order and of the principal Act and to the right of the consumer to require that he shall be charged according to some one or other of the methods above mentioned the Undertakers may make any agreement with a consumer as to the price to be charged for energy and the mode in which such charges are to be ascertained and may charge accordingly.

Electric Inspectors.

Appointment of electric inspectors.

27. The Board of Trade on the application of any consumer or of the Undertakers may appoint and keep appointed one or more competent and impartial person or persons to be electric inspectors under this Order.

The duties of an electric inspector under this Order shall be as follows:—

(*a.*) The inspection and testing periodically and in special cases of the Undertakers' electric lines and works and the supply of energy given by them;

(*b.*) The certifying and examination of meters; and

(*c.*) Such other duties in relation to the undertaking as may be required of him under the provisions of this Order or of any regulations under this Order.

The Board of Trade may prescribe the fees to be taken by an electric inspector and the manner in which and the times at which his duties are to be performed.

Remuneration of electric inspector.

28. The Undertakers shall pay to every electric inspector appointed under this Order such reasonable remuneration (if any) as may be determined by the Board of Trade and such remuneration may be in addition to or in substitution of any fees which are directed to be paid to electric inspectors for services rendered by them under this Order or any regulations of the Board of Trade made in pursuance of this Order as may be settled by such Board and where any such remuneration is settled to be in substitution for fees payable by any party other than the Undertakers shall in lieu of being paid to such electric inspector for his own use be due and paid to him on behalf and for the use of the Undertakers and shall be carried by them to the credit of the local rate.

Inquiry by Board of Trade and reports of accidents.

29. The Board of Trade may if they deem it necessary appoint any electric inspector or other fit person or persons to inquire and report as to the cause of any accident affecting the safety of the public which may have been

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occasioned by or in connexion with the Undertakers' works or as to the manner and extent in and to which the provisions of this Order and the principal Act and of any regulations under this Order so far as such provisions affect the safety of the public have been complied with by the Undertakers and any person appointed under this section not being an electric inspector shall for the purposes of his appointment have all the powers of an electric inspector under this Order.

The Undertakers shall send to the Board of Trade notice of any accident by explosion or fire and also of any other accident of such kind as to have caused or to be likely to have caused loss of life or personal injury which may occur in any part of the Undertakers' works or their circuits or in connection with the same and also notice of any loss of life or personal injury (if any) occasioned by any such accident.

Such notice shall be sent by the earliest practicable post after the accident occurs or as the case may be after the loss of life or personal injury becomes known to the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with the provisions of this section they shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds.

Testing and Inspection.

Testing of mains.

30. On the occasion of the testing of any main of the Undertakers reasonable notice thereof shall be given to the Undertakers by the electric inspector and such testing shall be carried out at such suitable hours as in the opinion of the inspector will least interfere with the supply of energy by the Undertakers and in such manner as the inspector may think expedient but except under the provisions of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade he shall not be entitled to have access to or interfere with the mains of the Undertakers at any points other than those at which the Undertakers have reserved for themselves access to the said mains Provided that the Undertakers shall not be held responsible for any interruption in the supply of energy which may be occasioned by or required by such inspector for the purpose of any such testing as aforesaid Provided also that such testings shall not be made in regard to any particular portion of a main oftener than once in every three months unless in pursuance of a special order in that behalf made by the Board of Trade.

Testing of works and supply on consumer's premises.

31. An electric inspector if and when required to do so by any consumer shall on payment by such consumer of the prescribed fee test the variation of electric pressure at the consumer's terminals or make such other inspection or testing of the service boxes apparatus and works of the Undertakers upon the consumer's premises as may be necessary for the purpose of determining whether the Undertakers have complied with the provisions of this Order and regulations and conditions subject to which they are for the time being authorised to supply energy.

Undertakers to establish testing stations.

32. A court of summary jurisdiction may upon the application of any ten consumers direct the Undertakers at their own cost to establish at such places within a reasonable distance from a distributing main and keep in proper condition such reasonable number of testing stations as the court shall deem

proper and sufficient for testing the supply of energy by the Undertakers through such main and thereupon the Undertakers shall establish such testing places and provide thereat such proper and suitable instruments of a pattern to be approved by the Board of Trade as the court may direct and they shall connect such stations by means of proper and sufficient electric lines with such mains and supply energy thereto for the purpose of such testing.

Undertakers to keep instruments on their premises.

33. The Undertakers shall set up and keep upon all premises from which they supply energy by any distributing mains such suitable and proper instruments of such pattern and construction as may be approved of or prescribed by the Board of Trade and shall take and record and keep recorded such observations as the Board of Trade may prescribe and any observations so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Readings of instruments to be taken.

34. The Undertakers shall keep in efficient working order all instruments which they are required by or under this Order to place set up or keep at any testing station or on their own premises and any electric inspector appointed under this Order may examine and record the readings of such instruments and any readings so recorded shall be receivable in evidence.

Electric inspector may test Undertakers' instruments.

35. Any electric inspector appointed under this Order shall have the right to have access at all reasonable hours to the testing stations and premises of the Undertakers for the purpose of testing the electric lines and instruments of the Undertakers and ascertaining if the same are in order and in case the same are not in order he may require the Undertakers forthwith to have the same put in order.

Representation of Undertakers at testings.

36. The Undertakers may if they think fit on each occasion of the testing of any main or service line or the testing or inspection of any instruments of the Undertakers by any electric inspector be represented by some officer or other agent but such officer or agent shall not interfere with the testing or inspection.

Undertakers to give facilities for testing.

37. The Undertakers shall afford all facilities for the proper execution of this Order with respect to inspection and testing and the readings and inspection of instruments and shall comply with all the requirements of or under this Order in that behalf and in case the Undertakers make default in complying with any of the provisions of this section they shall be liable in respect of each default to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding one pound.

Report of results of testing.

38. Every electric inspector shall on the day immediately following that on which any testing has been completed by him under this Order make and deliver a report of the results of his testing to the authority or person by whom he was required to make such testing and also to the Undertakers and such report shall be receivable in evidence.

If the Undertakers or any such authority or person are or is dissatisfied with any report of any electric inspector they or he may appeal to the Board of Trade against such report and thereupon the Board of Trade shall inquire into and decide upon the matter of any such appeal and their decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

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Expenses of electric inspector.

39. Save as otherwise provided by this Order or by any regulations under this Order all fees and reasonable expenses of an electric inspector shall unless agreed be ascertained by the Board of Trade and shall be paid by the Undertakers and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided that where the report of an electric inspector or the decision of the Board of Trade shows that any consumer was guilty of any default or negligence such fees and expenses shall on being ascertained as above mentioned be paid by such consumer or consumers as the Board of Trade having regard to such report or decision shall direct and may be recovered summarily as a civil debt.

Provided also that in any proceedings for penalties under this Order any such fees and expenses incurred in connection with such proceedings shall be payable by the complainant or defendant as the court may direct.

Meters.

Meters to be used except by agreement.

40. The amount of energy supplied by the Undertakers to any ordinary consumer under this Order or the electrical quantity contained in such supply (according to the method by which the Undertakers elect to charge) in this Order referred to as "the value of the supply" shall except as otherwise agreed between such consumer and the Undertakers be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter duly certified under the provisions of this Order.

Meter to be certified.

41. A meter shall be considered to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order if it be certified by an electric inspector appointed under this Order to be a correct meter and to be of sound construction and pattern and to have been fixed and to have been connected with the service lines in some manner approved of by the Board of Trade and every such meter is in this Order referred to as a "certified meter" Provided that where any alteration is made in any certified meter or where any such meter is unfixed or disconnected from the service lines such meter shall cease to be a certified meter unless and until it be again certified as a certified meter under the provisions of this Order.

Inspector to certify meters.

42. Every electric inspector on being required to do so by the Undertakers or by any consumer and on payment of the prescribed fee by the party so requiring him shall examine any meter intended for ascertaining the value of the supply and shall certify the same as a certified meter if he considers it entitled to be so certified.

Undertakers to supply meters if required to do so.

43. Where the value of the supply is under this Order required to be ascertained by means of an appropriate meter the Undertakers shall if required so to do by any consumer supply him with an appropriate meter and shall if required so to do fix the same upon the premises of the consumer and connect the service lines therewith and procure such meter to be duly certified under the provisions of this Order and for such purposes may authorise and empower any officer or person to enter upon such premises at all reasonable times and execute all necessary works and to do all necessary acts Provided

that previously to supplying any such meter the Undertakers may require such consumer to pay to them a reasonable sum in respect of the price of such meter or to give security therefor or (if he desires to hire such meter) may require him to enter into an agreement for the hire of such meter as herein-after provided.

Meters not to be connected or disconnected without notice.

44. No consumer shall connect any meter used or to be used under this Order for ascertaining the value of the supply with any electric line through which energy is supplied by the Undertakers or disconnect any such meter from any such electric line unless he has given to the Undertakers not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing of his intention so to do and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall be liable for each offence to a penalty not exceeding forty shillings.

Consumer to keep his meter in proper order.

45. Every consumer shall at all times at his own expense keep all meters belonging to him whereby the value of the supply of energy is to be ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of his so doing the Undertakers may cease to supply energy through such meter.

The Undertakers shall have access to and be at liberty to take off remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times provided that all reasonable expenses of and incident to any such taking off removing testing inspecting and replacing and the procuring such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall if the meter be found to be not in proper order be paid by the consumer but if the same be in proper order all expenses connected therewith shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Power to the Undertakers to let meters.

46. The Undertakers may let for hire any meter for ascertaining the value of the supply and any fittings thereto for such remuneration in money and on such terms with respect to the repair of such meter and fittings and for securing the safety and return to the Undertakers of such meter and fittings as may be agreed upon between the hirer and the Undertakers or in the case of difference decided by the Board of Trade and such remuneration shall be recoverable by the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers to keep meters let for hire in repair.

47. The Undertakers shall unless the agreement for hire otherwise provides at all times at their own expense keep all meters let for hire by them to any consumer whereby the value of the supply is ascertained in proper order for correctly registering such value and in default of their so doing the consumer shall not be liable to pay rent for the same during such time as such default continues The Undertakers shall for the purposes aforesaid have access to and be at liberty to remove test inspect and replace any such meter at all reasonable times Provided that the expenses of procuring any such meter to be again duly certified where such re-certifying is thereby rendered necessary shall be paid by the Undertakers.

Differences as to correctness of meters to be settled by inspector.

48. If any difference arises between any consumer and the Undertakers as to whether any meter whereby the value of the supply is ascertained (whether belonging to such consumer or the Undertakers) is or is not in proper order for correctly registering such value or as to whether such value

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has been correctly registered in any case by any meter such difference shall be determined upon the application of either party by an electric inspector who shall also order by which of the parties the costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him shall be paid and the decision of such inspector shall be final and binding on all parties Subject as aforesaid the register of the meter shall be conclusive evidence in the absence of fraud of the value of the supply.

Undertakers to pay expenses of providing new meters.

49. Where any consumer who is supplied with energy by the Undertakers from any distributing main is provided with a certified meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of supply and the Undertakers change the method of charging for energy supplied by them from such main the Undertakers shall pay to such consumer the reasonable expenses to which he may be put in providing a new meter for the purpose of ascertaining the value of the supply according to such new method of charging and such expenses may be recovered by the consumer from the Undertakers summarily as a civil debt.

Undertakers may place meters to measure supply or to check measurement thereof.

50. In addition to any meter which may be placed upon the premises of any consumer to ascertain the value of the supply the Undertakers may place upon his premises such meter or other apparatus as they may desire for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating either the amount of energy supplied to such consumer or the number of hours during which such supply is given or the maximum power taken by such consumer or any other quantity or time connected with the supply Provided that such meter or apparatus shall be of some construction and pattern and shall be fixed and connected with the service lines in some manner approved by the Board of Trade and shall be supplied and maintained entirely at the cost of the Undertakers and shall not except by agreement be placed otherwise than between the mains of the Undertakers and the consumer's terminals.

Maps.

Map of area of supply to be made.

51. The Undertakers shall forthwith after commencing to supply energy under this Order cause a map to be made of the area of supply and shall cause to be marked thereon the line and the depth below the surface of all their then existing mains service lines and other underground works and street boxes and shall once in every year cause such map to be duly corrected so as to show the then existing lines The Undertakers shall also if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General cause to be made sections showing the level of all their existing mains and underground works other than service lines The said map and sections shall be on such scale or scales as the Board of Trade shall prescribe.

Every map and section so made or corrected or a copy thereof marked with the date when it was so made or last corrected shall be kept by the Undertakers at their principal office within the area of supply and shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of all applicants and such applicants may take copies of the same or any part thereof The Undertakers may demand and take from every such applicant as aforesaid such fee not exceeding one shilling for each inspection of such map section or copy and such further

fee not exceeding five shillings for each copy of the same or any part thereof taken by such applicant as they may prescribe.

The Undertakers shall if so required by the Board of Trade or the Postmaster-General supply to them or him a copy of any such map or section and cause such copy to be duly corrected so as to agree with the original or originals thereof as kept for the time being at the office of the Undertakers.

If the Undertakers fail to comply with any of the requirements of this section they shall for every offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding two pounds.

Application of Moneys received.

Application of revenue.

52. All moneys received by the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking except (*a*) borrowed money (*b*) money arising from the disposal of lands acquired for the purposes of this Order and (*c*) money not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer under the provisions of this Order shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In payment of the working and establishment expenses and cost of maintenance of the undertaking including all costs expenses penalties and damages incurred or payable by the Undertakers consequent upon any proceedings by or against the Undertakers their officers or servants in relation to the undertaking;

(2) In payment of the interest or dividend on any mortgages stock or other securities granted and issued by the Undertakers in respect of money borrowed for electricity purposes;

(3) In providing any instalment or sinking fund required to be provided in respect of moneys borrowed for electricity purposes;

(4) In payment of all other their expenses of executing this Order not being expenses properly chargeable to capital;

(5) In providing a reserve fund if they think fit by setting aside such money as they may from time to time think reasonable and investing the same and the resulting income thereof in Government securities or in any other securities in which trustees are by law for the time being authorised to invest other than stock or securities of the Undertakers and accumulating the same at compound interest until the fund so formed amounts to one-tenth of the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking which fund shall be applicable to answer any deficiency at any time happening in the income of the Undertakers from the undertaking or to meet any extraordinary claim or demand at any time arising against the Undertakers in respect of the undertaking and so that if that fund is at any time reduced it may thereafter be again restored to the prescribed limit and so from time to time as often as such reduction happens.

The Undertakers shall carry the net surplus remaining in any year and the annual proceeds of the reserve fund when amounting to the prescribed limit to the credit of the local rate as defined by the principal Act or at their option shall apply such surplus or any part thereof to the improvement of the district for which they are the local authority or in reduction of the capital moneys borrowed for electricity purposes.

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Provided always that if the surplus in any year exceed five pounds per centum per annum upon the aggregate capital expenditure on the undertaking the Undertakers shall make such a rateable reduction in the charge for the supply of energy as in their judgment will reduce the surplus to the said maximum rate of profit but this proviso shall only apply to so much of the undertaking as shall for the time being remain in the hands of the Undertakers.

Any deficiency of income in any year not answered out of the reserve fund shall be charged upon and payable out of the local rate.

Application of capital moneys.

53. All moneys arising from the disposal of lands acquired by the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order and all moneys not of the nature of rent received by them in respect of any transfer of the undertaking under the provisions of this Order and all other capital moneys received by them in respect of the undertaking shall be applied by them as follows:—

(1) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for electricity purposes.

(2) In the reduction of the capital moneys borrowed by them for other than electricity purposes.

Notices &c.

Notices &c. may be printed or written.

54. Notices orders and other documents under this Order may be in writing or in print or partly in writing and partly in print and when any notice order or document requires authentication by the Undertakers the signature thereof by their clerk or surveyor shall be sufficient authentication.

Services of notices &c.

55. Any notice order or document required or authorised to be served upon any body or person under this Order or the principal Act may be served by the same being addressed to such body or person and being left at or transmitted through the post to the following addresses respectively:—

(*a.*) In the case of the Board of Trade the office of the Board of Trade;

(*b.*) In the case of the Postmaster-General the General Post Office;

(*c.*) In the case of any county council the office of such council;

(*d.*) In the case of any local authority the office of such local authority;

(*e.*) In the case of any company having a registered office the registered office of such company;

(*f.*) In the case of a company having an office or offices but no registered office the principal office of such company;

(*g.*) In the case of any other person the usual or last known place of abode of such person.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of any premises shall be deemed to be properly addressed if addressed by the description of the "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (naming the premises) without further name or description.

A notice order or document by this Order required or authorised to be served on the owner or occupier of premises may be served by delivering the same or a true copy thereof to some person on the premises or if there is no person on the premises to whom the same can with reasonable diligence be delivered by fixing it on some conspicuous part of the premises.

Subject to the provisions of this Order as to cases of emergency where the interval of time between the service of any notice or document under the provisions of this Order and the execution of any works or the performance of any duty or act is less than seven days the following days shall not be reckoned in the computation of such time (that is to say) Sunday Christmas Day Good Friday any bank holiday under and within the meaning of the Bank Holiday Act 1871 and any Act amending that Act and any day appointed for public fast humiliation or thanksgiving.

Revocation of Order.

Revocation where works not executed.

56. If at any time after the commencement of this Order the Board of Trade have reason to believe that the Undertakers have made default in executing works or supplying energy in accordance with the provisions of this Order the Board of Trade may after such inquiry as they may think necessary revoke this Order as to the whole or with the consent of the Undertakers any part of the area of supply upon such terms as to the Board of Trade may seem just.

Revocation of Order with consent.

57. In addition to any powers which the Board of Trade may have in that behalf they may revoke this Order at any time with the consent and concurrence of the Undertakers upon such terms as the Board of Trade may think fit.

Provisions where Order revoked.

58. If the Board of Trade at any time revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply any persons who may be liable to repair any street or part of a street within such area or part thereof in which any works of the Undertakers may have been placed may forthwith remove such works with all reasonable care and the Undertakers shall pay to such persons such reasonable costs of such removal as may be specified in a notice to be served on the Undertakers by such persons or if so required by the Undertakers within one week after the service of such notice upon them as may be settled by arbitration.

If the Undertakers fail to pay such reasonable costs as aforesaid within one month after the service upon them of such notice or the delivery of the award of the arbitrator (as the case may be) such persons as aforesaid may without any previous notice to the Undertakers (but without prejudice to any other remedy which they may have for the recovery of the amount) sell and dispose of any such works as aforesaid either by public auction or private sale and for such sum or sums and to such person or persons as they may think fit and may out of the proceeds of such sale pay and reimburse themselves the amount of the costs so specified or settled as aforesaid and of the costs of sale and the balance (if any) of the proceeds of the sale shall be paid over by them to the Undertakers.

Transfer of Powers &c.

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59.—(1.) At any time after the commencement of this Order the Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved by the Board of Trade transfer their powers duties liabilities and works to any company or person subject to such exceptions and modifications (if any) and for such period and upon such terms as may be specified therein and either as to the whole or any part or parts of the area of supply and during the said period but subject to the provisions of this Order such company or person shall to the

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extent of the powers duties and liabilities so transferred be the Undertakers for the purposes of this Order.

(2.) One month at least before any draft deed is submitted to the Board of Trade for their approval under this section notice of the intention to make such transfer shall be published by the Undertakers by advertisement and a copy of the said draft deed shall be deposited for public inspection during office hours at the principal office of the Undertakers within the area of supply and printed copies thereof shall be supplied to every person demanding the same at the price of not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

(3.) Every such advertisement shall contain the following particulars:—

(*a.*) The area in respect of which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*b.*) The period for which the transfer is proposed to be made;

(*c.*) The rent or other pecuniary consideration in respect of the transfer;

(*d.*) A general description of the powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers proposed to be excepted or modified and of the terms upon which the transfer is proposed to be made; and

(*e.*) The address of the office at which the copy of the said draft deed is deposited for public inspection and at which printed copies of the same are on sale;

and such advertisement shall be inserted once at least in each of two successive weeks in one and the same newspaper circulating within the area of supply and once at least in the London Gazette.

(4.) The Undertakers may with the consent of the Board of Trade by deed to be approved in like manner renew or continue any such transfer for such period and subject to such variations or modifications (if any) as may be specified therein and the above provisions as to advertisements and particulars shall apply to such matters as are hereby required to be specified in such last-mentioned deed.

(5.) Where in relation to any powers duties or liabilities so transferred such company or person have in the opinion of the Board of Trade been guilty of any act or default in respect of which the Board of Trade are empowered to revoke this Order the Board of Trade if they think fit in lieu of revoking this Order may by order permit the Undertakers to resume the undertaking as from such day as may be fixed by the order and from and after the said day the powers duties and liabilities of the said company or person as Undertakers shall cease and determine but without prejudice to anything done or suffered during the period of transfer.

(6.) Any questions arising between the Undertakers and the said company or person respecting the resumption of the undertaking by the Undertakers shall be determined on the application of either party by the Board of Trade regard being had to the deed of transfer so far as applicable and the decision of the Board of Trade shall be final and conclusive.

(7.) As soon as practicable after any such deed is approved by the Board of Trade printed copies thereof shall be kept by the Undertakers for public inspection at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy and in case of any default herein the Undertakers shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

(8.) Nothing in this section shall affect any powers duties or liabilities of the Undertakers which shall not be transferred by any such deed and the Undertakers shall continue to have and be subject to such powers duties and liabilities if any. A.D. 1894. *Yeadon.*

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Remedying of system and works.

60. If at any time it is represented to the Board of Trade (*a*) that the Undertakers are supplying energy otherwise than by means of a system which has been approved by the Board of Trade or (without such consent or approval as is required by this Order) have permitted any part of their circuits to be connected with earth or placed any electric line above ground or (*b*) that any electric lines or works of the Undertakers are defective so as not to be in accordance with the provisions of this Order or the regulations and conditions subject to which the Undertakers are for the time being authorised to supply energy under this Order or (*c*) that any work of the Undertakers or their supply of energy is attended with danger to the public safety or injuriously affects any telegraphic line of the Postmaster-General the Board of Trade may by order specify the matter complained of and require the Undertakers to abate or discontinue the same within such period as may be therein limited in that behalf and if the Undertakers make default in complying with such order they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such default continues.

The Board of Trade may also if they think fit by the same or any other order made upon any such representation as aforesaid forbid the use of any electric line or work as from such date as may be specified in that behalf until the order is complied with or for such time as may be so specified and if the Undertakers make use of any such electric line or work while the use thereof is so forbidden they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred pounds for every day during which such user continues.

In any case of non-compliance with an order under this section whether a pecuniary penalty has been recovered or not the Board of Trade if in their opinion the public interest so requires may if they think fit revoke this Order on such terms as they may think just.

Publication of regulations.

61. All regulations and conditions made by the Board of Trade under this Order or the principal Act affecting the undertaking and for the time being in force shall within one month after the same as made or last altered have come into force be printed at the expense of the Undertakers and true copies thereof certified by or on behalf of the Undertakers shall be kept by them at their principal office within the area of supply and supplied to any person demanding the same at a price not exceeding sixpence for each copy.

If the Undertakers make default in complying with the provisions of this section they shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding five pounds and to a daily penalty not exceeding five pounds.

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Nature and amount of security.

62. Where any security is required under this Order to be given to or by the Undertakers such security may be by way of deposit or otherwise and of such amount as may be agreed upon between the parties or as in default of agreement may be determined on the application of either party by a court of summary jurisdiction who may also order by which of the parties the costs of the proceedings before them shall be paid and the decision of the said court shall be final and binding on all parties Provided that where any such security is given by way of deposit the party to whom such security is given shall pay interest at the rate of four pounds per centum per annum on every sum of ten shillings so deposited for every six months during which the same remains in their hands.

Proceedings of Board of Trade.

63. All things required or authorised under this Order to be done by to or before the Board of Trade may be done by to or before the President or a secretary or an assistant secretary of the Board.

All documents purporting to be orders made by the Board of Trade and to be sealed with the seal of the Board or to be signed by a secretary or assistant secretary of the Board or by any person authorised in that behalf by the President of the Board shall be received in evidence and shall be deemed to be such orders without further proof unless the contrary is shown.

A certificate signed by the President of the Board of Trade that any order made or act done is the order or act of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the order or act so certified.

As to approval or consent of Board of Trade.

64. Where this Order provides for any consent or approval of the Board of Trade the Board may give such consent or approval subject to terms or conditions or may withhold their consent or approval as in their discretion they may think fit.

All costs and expenses of and incident to any application for any approval consent certificate or order of the Board of Trade or of any inspector or person appointed by the Board including the costs of any inquiry or tests which may be required to be made by the Board of Trade for the purpose of determining whether the same should be given or made to such an amount as the Board of Trade shall certify to be due shall be borne and paid by the applicant or applicants therefor Provided always that where any approval is given by the Board of Trade to any plan pattern or specification they may require such copies of the same as they may think fit to be prepared and deposited at their office at the expense of the said applicant or applicants and may as they think fit revoke any approval so given or permit such approval to be continued subject to such modifications as they may think necessary.

Notice of consent or approval of Board of Trade &c. to be given by advertisement.

65. Where the Board of Trade upon the application of the Undertakers give any approval or grant any extension of any time limited for the performance of any duties by the Undertakers or revoke this Order as to the whole or any part of the area of supply notice that such approval has been given or such extension of time granted or such revocation made shall if the Board so direct be published by public advertisement once at least in each of two successive weeks in some one and the same local newspaper by the Undertakers.

Recovery and application of penalties

66. All penalties fees expenses and other moneys recoverable under this Order or any regulations made under this Order or the principal Act the recovery of which is not otherwise specially provided for may be recovered summarily in manner provided by the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

Any penalty recovered on prosecution by any body or person or any part thereof may if the court shall so direct be paid to such body or person.

Undertakers to be responsible for all damages

67. The Undertakers shall be answerable for all accidents damages and injuries happening through the act or default of the Undertakers or of any person in their employment by reason of or in consequence of any of the Undertakers' works and shall save harmless all authorities bodies and persons by whom any street is repairable and all other authorities companies and bodies collectively and individually and their officers and servants from all damages and costs in respect of such accidents damages and injuries.

Incorporation of section 265 of Public Health Act 1875.

68. Section two hundred and sixty-five of the Public Health Act 1875 shall be incorporated with this Order and in the construction of that section for the purposes of this Order "this Act" means this Order and the principal Act and the "local authority" means the Undertakers.

Saving clause for Postmaster General.

69. Nothing in this Order shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the principal Act or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1892 and all provisions contained in this Order in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Undertakers not exempt from proceedings for nuisance.

70. Nothing in this Order shall exonerate the Undertakers from any indictment action or other proceeding for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or permitted by them.

Provisions as to general Acts

71. Nothing in this Order shall exempt the Undertakers or their undertaking from the provisions of or deprive the Undertakers of the benefit of any general Act relating to electricity or to the supply of or price to be charged for energy which may be passed after the commencement of this Order.

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SCHEDULES.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Area of Supply.

The whole of the urban sanitary district of Yeadon in the county of York as constituted at the commencement of this Order.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

List of streets and parts of streets throughout which the Undertakers are to lay distributing mains within a period of two years after the commencement of this Order :—

Silver Lane.
Haworth Lane.
Kirk Lane from Victoria Place to the commencement of Town Street.
Town Street from Kirk Lane to the commencement of High Street.
High Street from Town Street to "White Swan Inn."
Ivegate from High Street at the top of Town Street to corner of Harper Lane.
Sandy Way.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

List of streets not repairable by the local authority railways and tramways which may be broken up by the Undertakers in pursuance of the special powers granted by this Order.

(*a.*) *Streets :—*

Milner's Road New Scarborough or Dibb House Road South View Park View West View Leafield Place Maple Terrace Wesley Street Copt Royd Street Victoria Place Swaine Hill Street Swaine Hill Crescent Swaine Hill Terrace Swine Carr Lane (now Walker's Row) Miry Lane Manor Road Manor Terrace Penny Yard Booth Yard Manor Square

Manor Buildings North Yard Dawson's Fold Otley Lane Bunker's Hill (or Rawnsley's Yard) North Terrace Haw Street Hawthorn Crescent Haw Lane Dennison Street Hugh Brown's Yard (off Silver Lane) Silver Terrace Suffolk Court Hudson's Yard Croft's Yard Street (off High Street by the side of the Co-operative Stores Company) Dennison's Field Snowden's Yard (off Albert Square) Carlton Terrace Hudson's Terrace Cavendish Street Granville Terrace Carlton Grange Carlton Street Carlton Mount Fletcher's Yard World's End Club Row Dam Lane East View Windmill Lane Football Sun Street King Street Back Alma Street Alma Street Rockfield Terrace Albert Terrace Upper Queen Street Queen Street Lower Queen Street Starkey's Field Devonshire Place Chapel Hill Clayton's Yard Copper Hill Varley's Fold Harper's Lane Well Hill Langley's Yard Kenyon's Yard Foundry Lane Well Hill Yard Well Lane Saxton's Garth Wood's Yard Abbey Garth Church Street High Henshaw.

(*b.*) *Railways* :—

None.

(*c.*) *Tramways* :—

None.

FOURTH SCHEDULE.

In this schedule the expression "unit" shall mean the energy contained in a current of one thousand amperes flowing under an electro-motive force of one volt during one hour.

Section 1.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the actual amount of energy supplied to him they shall be entitled to charge him at the following rates per quarter For any amount up to twenty units thirteen shillings and fourpence and for each unit over twenty units eightpence.

Section 2.

Where the Undertakers charge any consumer by the electrical quantity contained in the supply given to him they shall be entitled to charge him according to the rates set forth in section one of this schedule the amount of energy supplied to him being taken to be the product of such electrical quantity and the declared pressure at the consumer's terminals that is to say such a constant pressure at those terminals as may be declared by the Undertakers under any regulations made under this Order.

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